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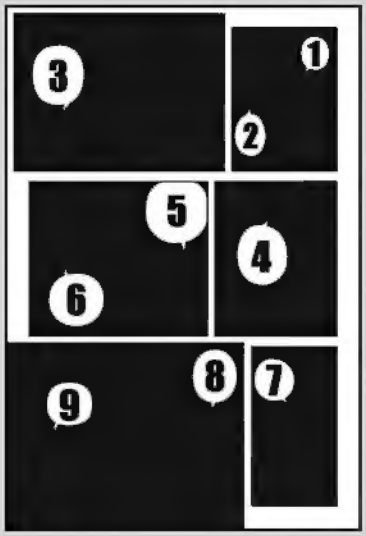

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Character Introduction

Asuka

- Birthday: May 8
- Age: 16
- Blood Type: A
- Height: 155 cm
- Measurements: B90, W57, H85

Second year student at the National Hanzo Academy. An energetic, straight-shooting hard worker. Granddaughter of a great Shinobi, who continues to inspire her to contemplate the Way of Shinobi. While her skills do not yet match her thoughts, she has great potential. Optimistic and thoughtful, she is a natural leader. Her special move is the secret ninja art of the frog.

THE STORY SO FAR

The National Hanzo Academy. Officially, it is a massive prep school, but mixed amongst the regular students, there are students secretly learning the art of Shinobi. These covert students train completely unnoticed by their mundane peers. Their curriculum was established to train those destined to oppose evil ninjas influencing society from the shadows.

When we last saw them, Asuka and her friends were training hard to fight their rivals from the Hebijo Clandestine Girls' Academy when their enemies attacked them, attempting to steal the Hanzo Academy's Super-Secret Ninja Art scroll.

Yagyu was injured by the Hebijo girls in defense of Hibari. Feeling guilty for her bedridden compatriot, Hibari departs for Hebijo alone with the Super-Secret Ninja Art scroll in hand. But when she realizes she is unable to harness the power of the scroll, Hibari decides to stay at Hebijo and hide the shame of her failure. Faced with Homura's incredible power, attained by use of the ancient scroll, Asuka and her friends don't know what to do next.

Hibari

- Birthday: February 18
- Age: 15
- Blood Type: B
- Height: 160 cm
- Measurements: B80, W55, H73

A first year student at Hanzo Academy. The youngest ninja-in-training in her class, Hibari loves to eat and adores anything cute. Despite a strong work ethic, she lacks the other girls' combat acumen. She is good at gathering intelligence, but she frequently gets into trouble. Hibari is very self-conscious about her skills compared to those of her peers. Her special move is the secret ninja art of the rabbit.

Yagyu

- Birthday: December 23
- Age: 15
- Blood Type: O
- Height: 158 cm
- Measurements: B85, W60, H85

While she may be merely a first year student, Yagyu possesses skills far beyond her years. She is cool, efficient, and calm in the face of danger. However, for some reason, she sometimes becomes flustered around Hibari. Her special move is the secret ninja art of the squid.

Katsuragi

- Birthday: November 5
- Age: 17
- Blood Type: B
- Height: 165 cm
- Measurements: B95, W57, H90

Katsuragi is in her third year at the Academy. She reacts with quick instincts (some might say without thinking first) and is able to dynamically adapt to new situations. While she lacks a filter between her brain and her mouth, her big-heart and sympathetic soul makes her easy to befriend. She loves girls and frequently annoys her classmates with unsolicited groping. An event in her past set her on a path to seeking out ever greater strength and power. Her special move is the secret ninja art of the dragon.

Ikaruga

- Birthday: July 7
- Age: 18
- Blood Type: A
- Height: 168 cm
- Measurements: B93, W59, H90

Ikaruga is the oldest member of the class and another third year student. As the group's leader, she keeps her poise no matter how dire the situation. She is elegant as well as a top student, but she can be a terrifyingly untouchable opponent in battle. She is armed with Hien, an heirloom katana inherited from her adopted family. Her special move is the secret ninja art of the phoenix.

BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
Chapter 12

?!
BE BE BE
BE BE BE
BE BE BE
BE BE BE
BE BE BE

FWIP

HIBARI...
SHE'S NOT HERE.
SHE'S PROBABLY STILL WITH HARUKA.
THEY WERE WALKING TOGETHER A MINUTE AGO.
GRIT
キュッ
!

REACH
I GUESS I'LL WAIT UNTIL HIBARI IS ALONE.
SLIDE
SLIDE
FLINCH
.....
I SHOULDN'T HAVE SAID THOSE THINGS TO ASUKA...

STAND ASIDE, ASUKA!
WELL, I...
YOU ALLOWED HIBARI TO GO OFF BY HERSELF?!
SACRIFICING YOURSELF WON'T BRING HIBARI HOME.
YOU ARE IN NO CONDITION TO GO ANYWHERE!
GRRR!
'CAUSE...
THAT'S WHAT FRIENDS DO.
IF YOU'RE GOING TO LOOK FOR HER, WE'LL DO IT TOGETHER.

"FRIENDS" ?
FRIENDS ?!
THEN WHY...
FRIENDS ?!
WHY DID YOU LET HER GO?!
.....

I DON'T NEED FRIENDS!
SHOVE
I'LL HANDLE THIS.
YOU'LL ONLY GET IN THE WAY. DON'T FOLLOW ME.
CREAK
YAGYU-CHAN--!
CLUNK...
IORI...

WRAP
WRAP
MY FAILURE MADE HIBARI...
TUG
I WAS PROBABLY TOO HARD ON THEM.
SHF...
I'LL FIND HER!
TUG
I WILL RESCUE HIBARI...
I SWEAR ON MY HONOR!

MIRAI...
THERE'S SOMETHING ON YOU.
HUH?
LUNARIA?
LOOK.
SLASH
IT MUST HAVE HAPPENED THEN...
A BUG DISGUISED LIKE THE OLD KOBAN COINS...
IT INCLUDES A BONUS TRANS-MITTER.
SWIP

WE HAVE A LITTLE MOUSE PROBLEM.
CRUNCH
WE SHOULD...
GET RID OF IT QUICKLY.
GRIN...

DASH
PIIIIIIII
PIIIIIIII
PIIIIIIII
FWIP
FWIP
FWIP
FWIP
FWIP
SLASH
HIBARI...
I MUST RESCUE HIBARI!
!!
GLINT

Squeeze
I
IF ANYTHING HAPPENS TO HIBARI...
FWIP
FWIP
I WILL...
NEVER GIVE UP!!
GWASH

Vaash
Zuum
Zpaaash
ZWOOM

BZOOM
SLASH
AALIGH --!
3
STAGGER
I'M SORRY, HIBARI...
.....
?

?!
I KNOW YOU SAID STAY AWAY... BUT HERE WE ARE!
NYAH!

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BOOB
I'VE... LOST...
GEEEEEN

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IT'S NOT A PERMANENT FIX...
BUT IT WILL STOP THE BLEEDING.
IT LOOKS LIKE YOU COULD USE A HAND, AFTER ALL.
WE MADE IT JUST IN TIME!
SHINK

"WHY" ...?
AFTER WHAT I SAID... WHY?

'CAUSE WE'RE FRIENDS.

EH?
WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?
CLASP
I CAN'T WIN AGAINST SIMPLE FOLKS.
.....
HMM...

YAGYU-SAN, WHERE ARE HIBARI-SAN AND THE SUPER-SECRET NINJA ART SCROLL?
MOST LIKELY, IN THE TOWER.
I BELIEVE WE'LL FIND BOTH OF THEM THERE.
GLANCE
OKAY! IT'S TOWER CLIMBIN' TIME!!

I TRUST MY FRIENDS.
PLEASE...
PROTECT HIBARI.
CLAP
CLAP
CLAP
WE'VE GOT THIS!

AH, THE BEAUTY OF FRIENDSHIP! IT ALMOST MAKES ME CRY.
HOWEVER, I CAN'T LET YOU PASS.
YOU...!

YOUNG LADIES...
PLEASE, ALLOW US...
TO ENTERTAIN YOU!

I THOUGHT THIS WAS A BIT TOO EASY.
ASUKA...
B-BUT...!
OUR PRIORITY IS RESCUING HIBARI-SAN.
WE CAN'T GET IN TOO DEEP! WE'VE GOT YAGYU HERE, TOO!
WE'LL HANDLE THIS! GO TO THE TOWER.
.....
UNDER-STOOD.

YOU TWO TAKE CARE.
YOU, TOO, ASUKA-SAN.
BZWOOSH
I WON'T LET YOU GO!
!!

.....
I WON'T LET HER GET AWAY.
SHIINK
YOUR PLAYMATES ARE RIGHT HERE...
HOLD UP, LADY.

LET'S DO THIS, IKARUGA.

SHINO-
BI...
MOR-
PHOSIS!!

GET READY! DON'T RUN AWAY, HIKA-GEEE !!!!
KA-THWASH
YAAAAAAAHH!!!
SHE GETS EXCITED SO EASILY.
WELL...
THWAK
THWAK
THWAK
I'M SURPRISED YOU'VE HONORED US WITH YOUR VISIT, DEAR MISS.
LONG TIME NO SEE, YOUNG LADY.
PLEASE, LET'S AVOID A MEANINGLESS BATTLE.
WE CAN DISCUSS THIS LIKE MATURE---

NO DISCUSSIONS.
YOU WILL DIE HERE, MY DEAR.
UGH...
ZVOOOM

I HAVE NO...
NNH!
KAKEEN
KAKEEN
DESIRE TO KILL YOU.
ZUZAAH
DASH
YES, BUT...
YOUR DESIRES MEAN NOTHING TO ME, YOUNG LADY.
WHY ARE YOU SO INTENT ON KILLING ME?

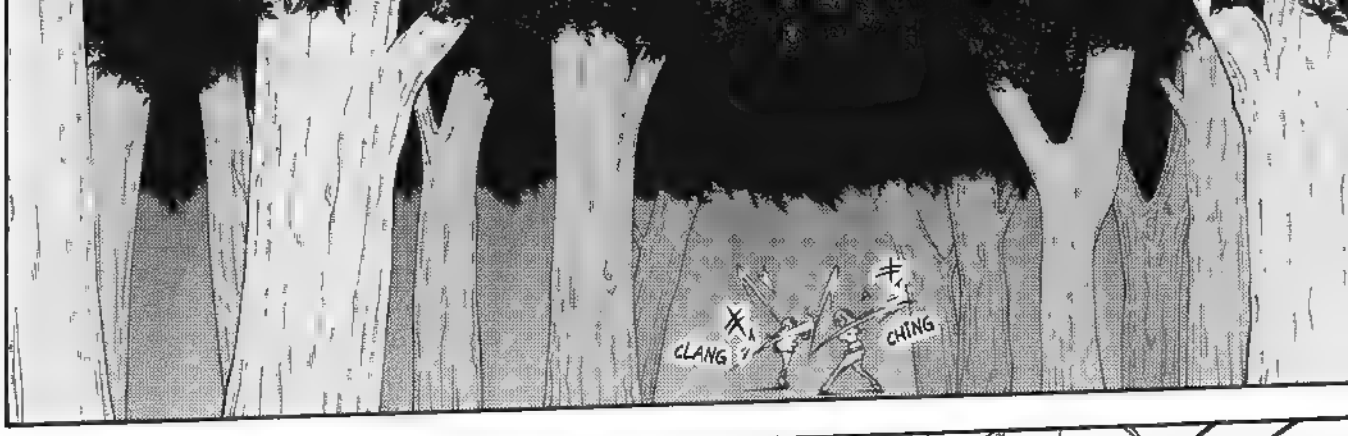
WELL...
HONESTLY?
Grin
IT'S BECAUSE YOU, YOUNG LADY, ARE WAY TOO STUCK UP.
THAT'S WHY?!
I REFUSE TO DIE FOR SUCH A STUPID REASON!
Pashi

MYSTERIES OF SHINOBI
HIEN PHOENIX SLASH!
CLANG
WHAT THE --?!

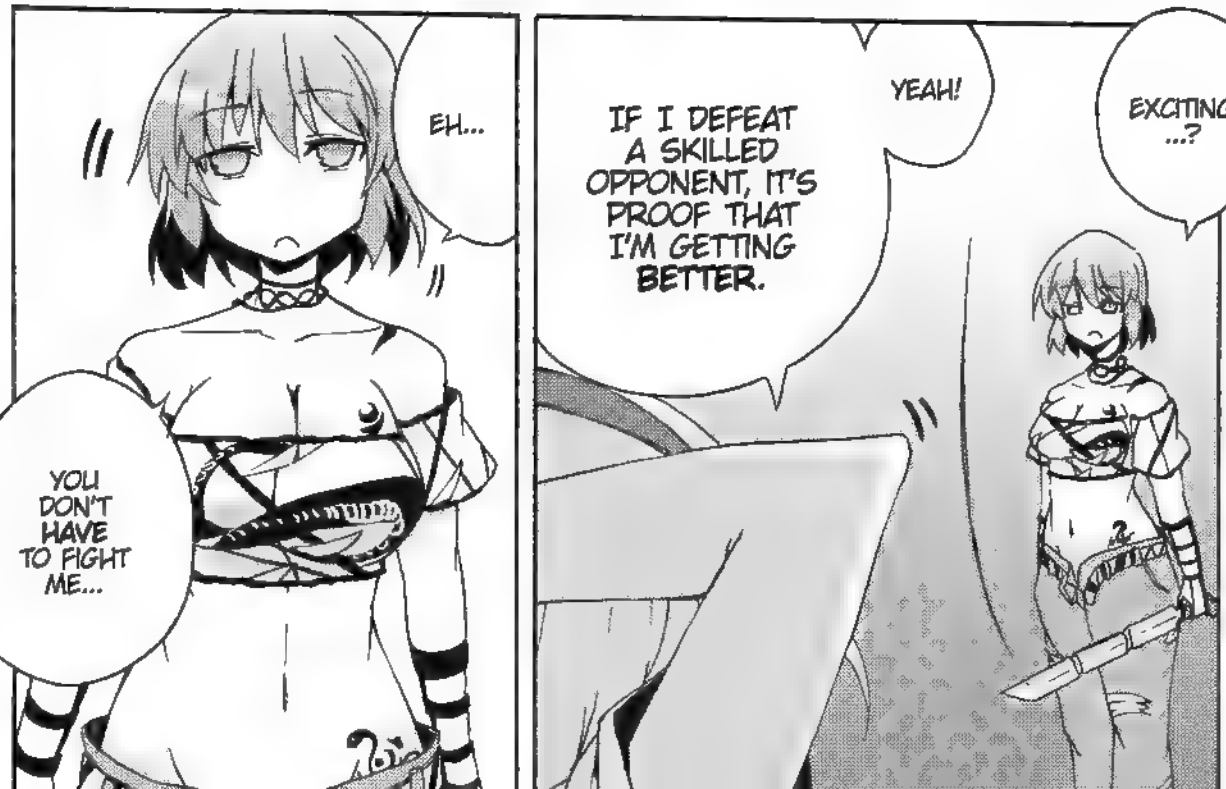
WOOM
GWA-AH?!
YOU CAN'T TOUCH ME...

ZUGOOON
FLICK
WITH SUCH A PRETTY LITTLE ATTACK!

DAZE
URGH...
HUH? YOUNG MISS?
WHAT'S WRONG? IF YOU DON'T HURRY...
YOUR FRIENDS' LIVES ARE IN PERIL.
STAGGER
ASUKA-SAN!


CLANG
CHING

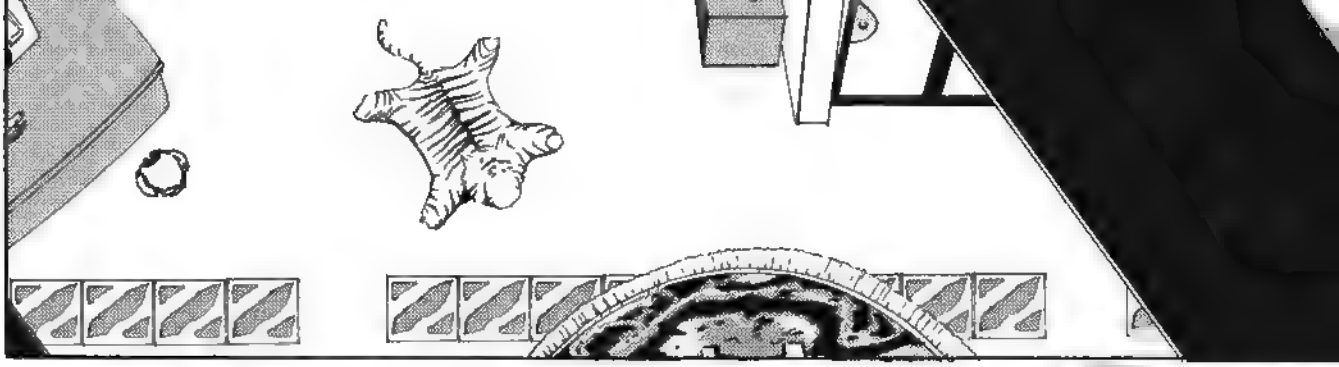
FLIP
FLIP
I LOVE BATTLING SKILLED OPPONENTS.
IT'S SO EXCITING!

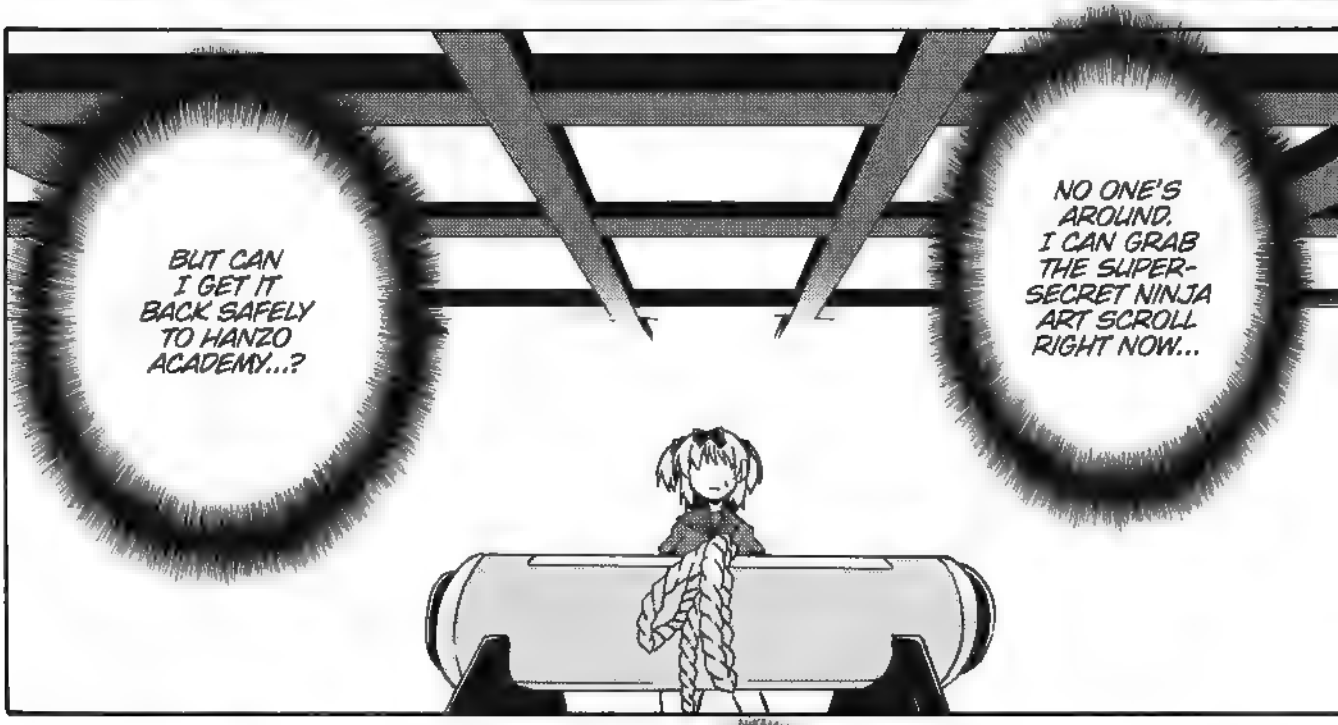

EXCITING ...?
YEAH!
IF I DEFEAT A SKILLED OPPONENT, IT'S PROOF THAT I'M GETTING BETTER.
EH...
YOU DON'T HAVE TO FIGHT ME...

HOLD ON!
SURE I DO! YOU ARE SKILLED!
I WANT TO FIGHT YOU.
NOD
YOU UNDERSTAND, RIGHT?
NOD
UH... NOPE!
NOT AT ALL.
WHAAAT?
WELL, DON'T YOU FEEL, LIKE, GLAD THAT YOU WON OR SAD THAT YOU LOST...?
NOT REALLY...
GRIN

FIRST OF ALL...
I DON'T FEEL EMOTIONS...
WHAT?
YOU MEAN, STUFF LIKE... FUNNY, TASTY, SAD, EAGER--
MEANING-LESS.
ARE YOU FOR REAL? THIS IS SO FRUS-TRATING!
GRRRgh!!
HEH... HEH HEH... MWAH HA HA... MWAH HA HA HA HA!
?

I'VE GOT IT, HIKAGE!
C'MON!
LET ME TEACH YOU ABOUT DIS-APPOINT-MENT!
ATTACK ME WITH ALL YOUR MIGHT!!
.....
HOW'D I GET STUCK WITH THIS BUFFOON?




NO ONE'S AROUND. I CAN GRAB THE SUPER-SECRET NINJA ART SCROLL RIGHT NOW...
BUT CAN I GET IT BACK SAFELY TO HANZO ACADEMY...?

DARN IT. STOP WORRYING ABOUT IT, HIBARI!
THIS IS MY CHANCE. THIS IS WHY I'M HERE!
IF YOU'RE GOING TO TAKE IT, TAKE IT!
?!

WERE YOU TESTING ME?
MAYBE.
DON'T MERELY THINK ABOUT IT.
IF YOU DON'T...
AND IF I DON'T?
IF YOU TAKE THE SCROLL, I'LL SIMPLY MAKE YOU INTO MY DOLL.
MAYBE YOU REALLY DO BELONG HERE.

PLEASE. LET ME GO!
I DON'T WANT TO FIGHT YOU!
WHY NOT?
DON'T YOU SEE?
HEBIJO AND HANZO ARE THE SAME. THE STUDENTS ARE...
WE ARE BOTH HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS LEARNING TO BECOME SHINOBI...

PLEASE LISTEN TO ME, HARUKA-SAN!!
HIBARI, THIS IS HEBIJO.
I'M ASKING IF YOU'RE GOING TO TAKE BACK THE SCROLL OR NOT.
THAT'S ALL I CARE ABOUT.
RULES?
IF YOU WANT MY ATTENTION, YOU MUST FOLLOW HEBIJO'S RULES.

JUST TAKE ME DOWN.
IT'S SIMPLE.
WINNING IS ALL THAT MATTERS.

HARUKA-SAN...
HEBI
HIBARI-CHAN!

FOR ME?
BUT, I WAS--
IT'S OKAY.
DON'T WORRY. I'M HERE FOR YOU.

FRIENDS HELP EACH OTHER OUT.
FRIENDS...

BUT...
WHAT ABOUT THE SUPER-SECRET NINJA ART SCROLL?!
LET'S GET OUT OF HERE.

HARUKA-SAN...
WORRY ABOUT THAT LATER.
LET'S GO.
.....
DO WHAT YOU WANT. JUST LEAVE THE SCROLL HERE.

HIBARI...
?
NO...
NEVER MIND.

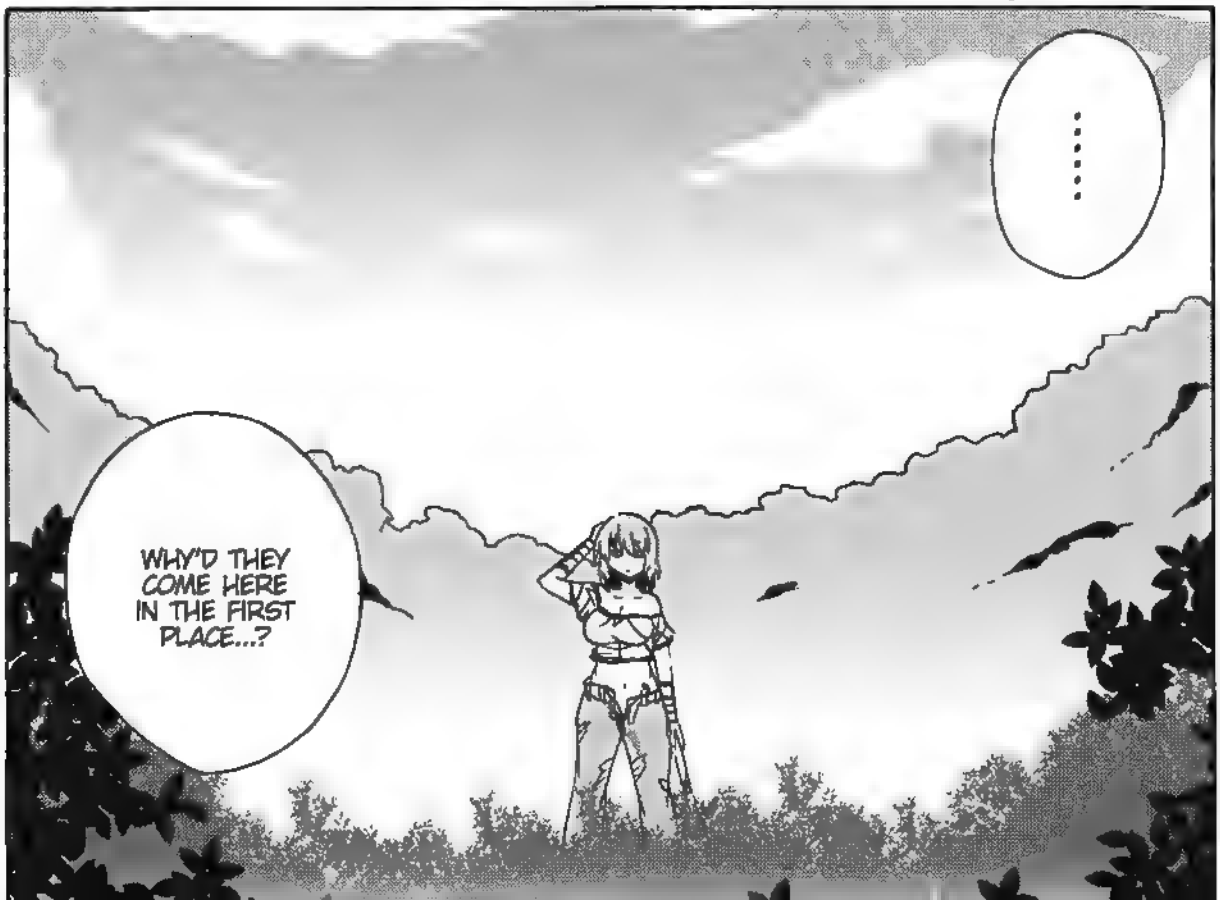
COUGH! COUGH!
.....
SMOKE SCREEN!!
FRIENDS? HMM...

POOOM
FRRROOOH...

KATSU-RAGI-SAN!
DASH
OH! HEY, IKARUGA!
WE'RE LEAVING! NOW!

WHAT? BUT I'M NOT DONE...
I DIDN'T FINISH, EITHER!
MURRR!
RAN AWAY AS FAST AS SHE COULD.
THAT WAS THE PLAN, REMEM-BER?!

I'LL KEEP PRACTICING 'TIL THEN!
SEE YA!
WHAT?! ERRR... SHOOT!
HIKAGE! WE'LL PAUSE FOR NOW!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WHY'D THEY COME HERE IN THE FIRST PLACE...?

TO HANZO ACADEMY!
LET'S GO BACK...

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PSHHHHHHH...
SPLash
Zaaaah
HANZO
ACADEM
ENTRANC
CEREMO

DROP

HEY...
STARTLE

DO YOU...
LIKE RAIN, TOO?
WHOA!
AH... UH HUH...
THE CEREMONY'S ABOUT TO START!

AH?!
GRAB
WE'LL BE IN TROUBLE IF WE'RE LATE!
H... HEY!
PULL
PULL
PSHHHHHHHH...

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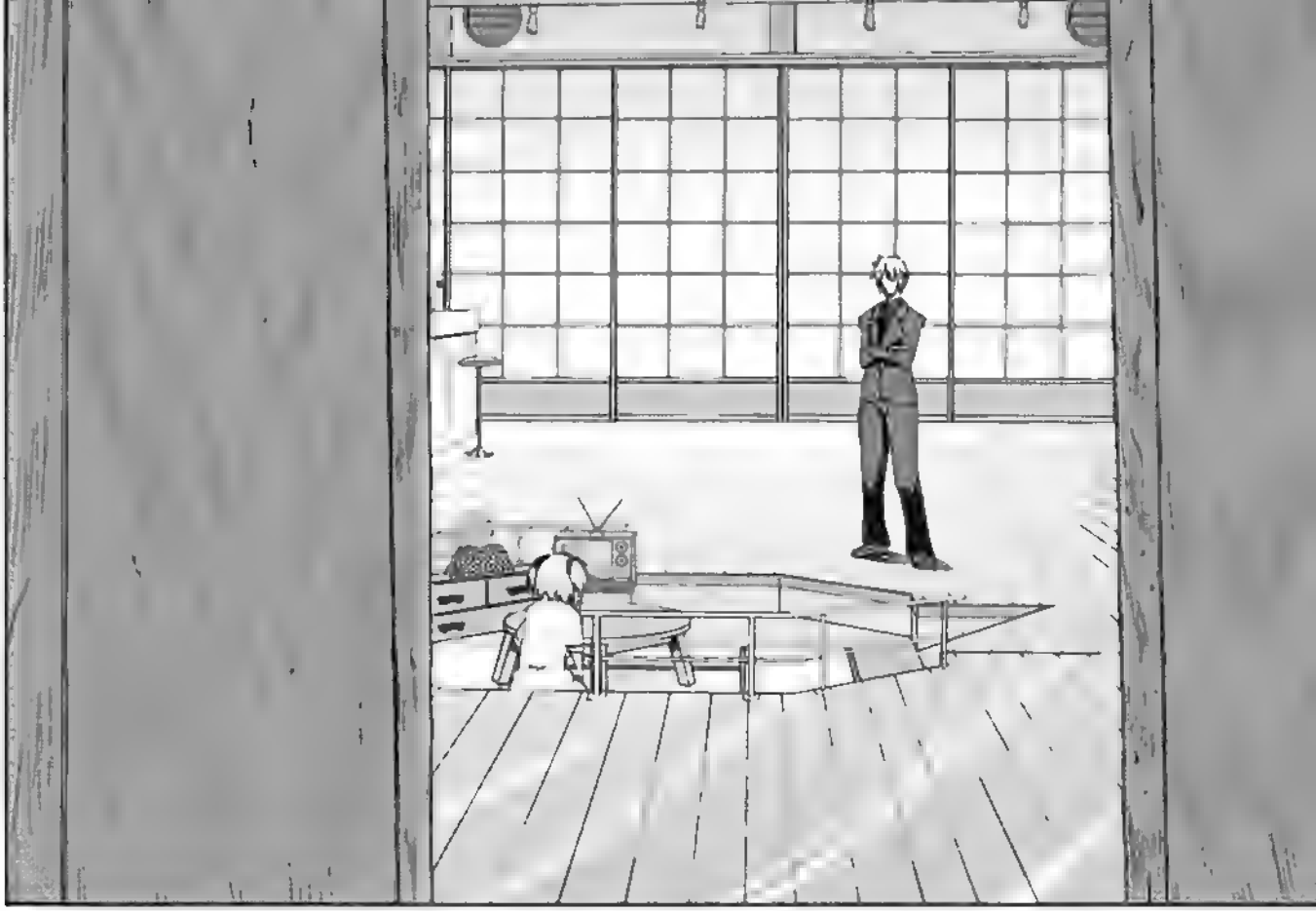

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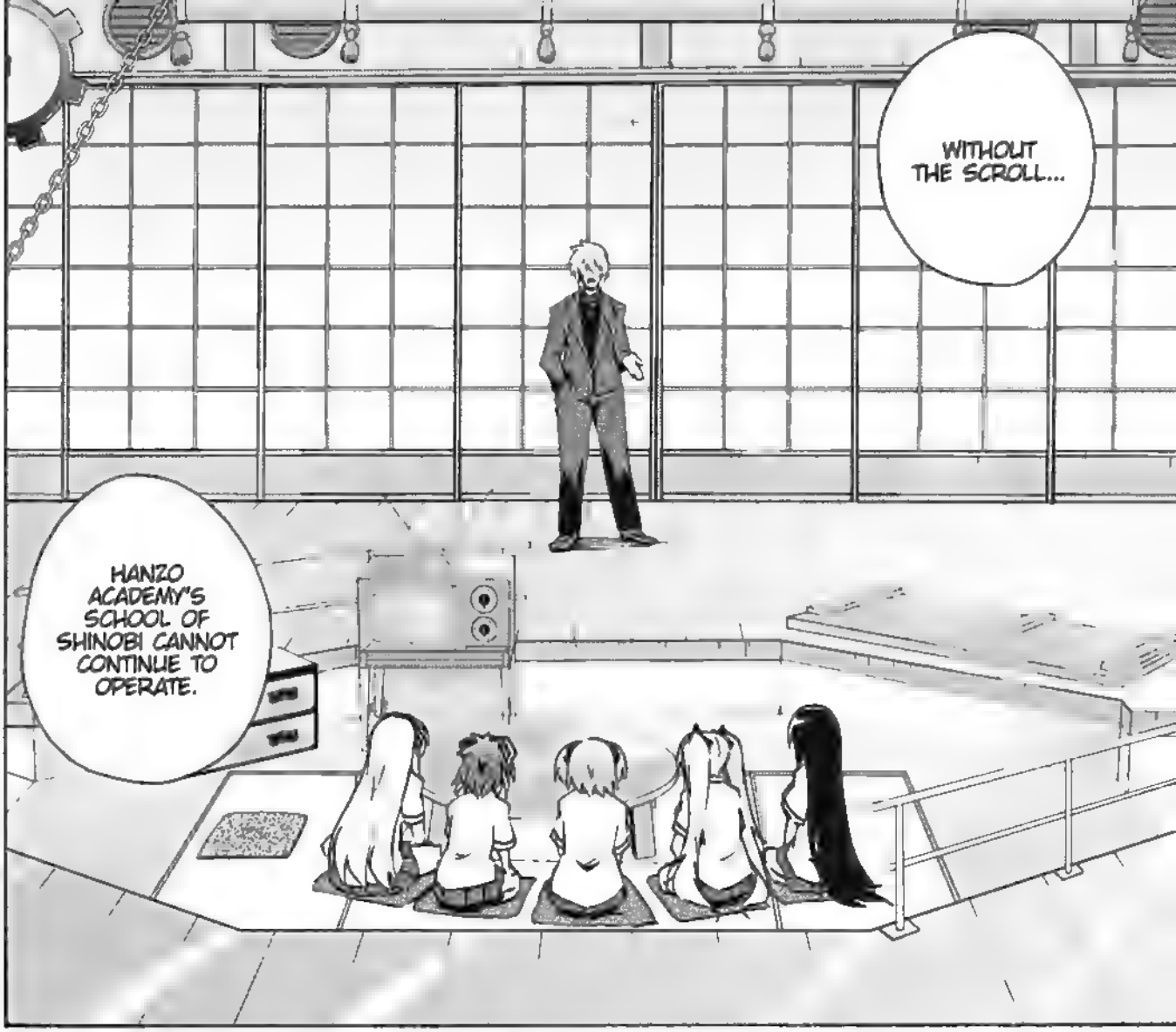
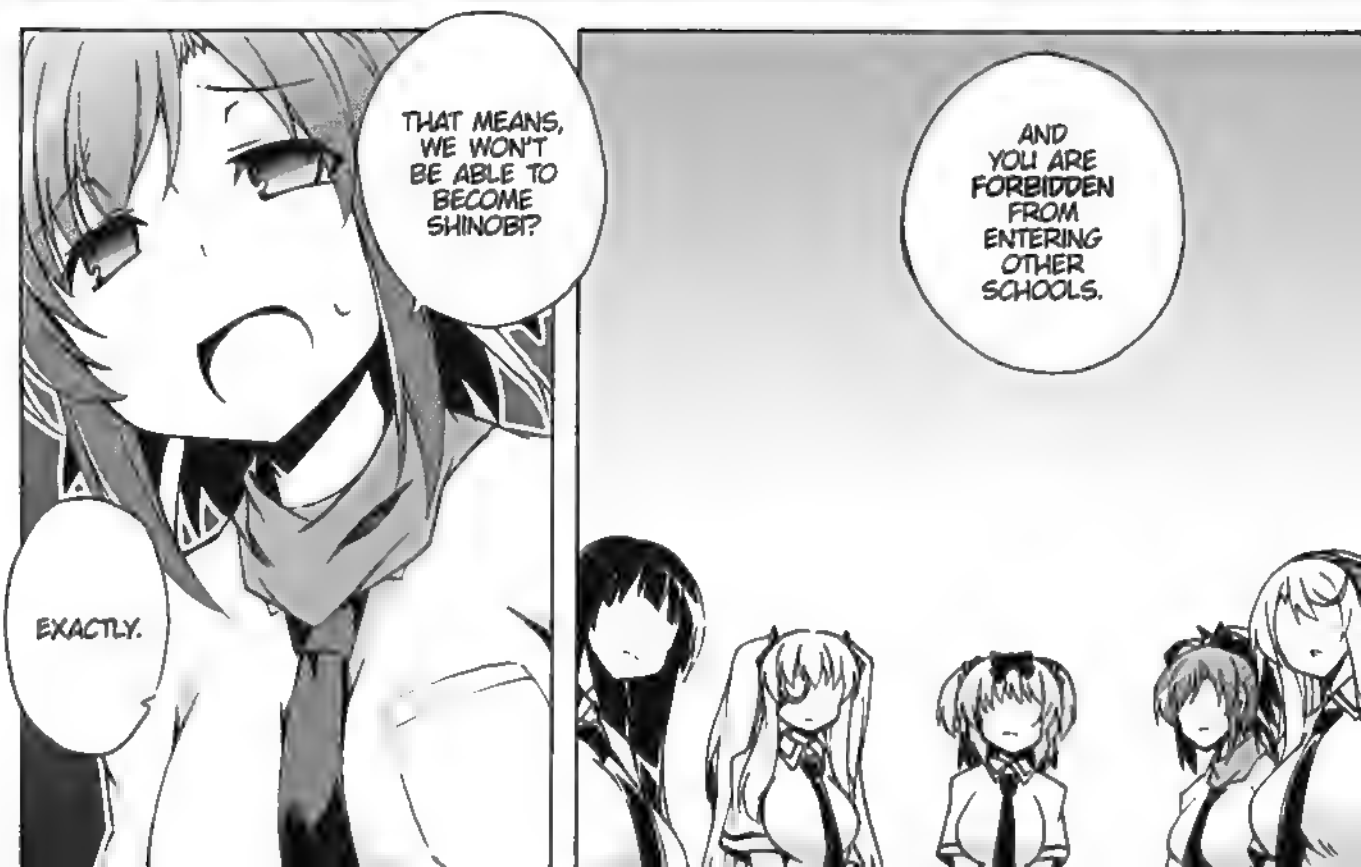
IF YOU FEEL RESPONSIBLE, WHERE IS THE SUPER-SECRET NINJA ART SCROLL?

SHOOT...
ENOUGH!
FIDGET
FIDGET
HIBARI...
WAIT, KATSU-RAGI!
STAND!!

KATSURAGI, DID I SUMMON YOU?
THIS IS GOING NOWHERE.
SHE HASN'T SAID A SINGLE WORD.
BUT THIS IS--
LET THE REST OF US JOIN THE CONVERSATION.
THIS ISN'T ABOUT HIBARI-SAN, IT CONCERNS ALL OF US.
HMMMM...
sigh
FINE.
EVERYONE TAKE A SEAT.


WITHOUT THE SCROLL...
HANZO ACADEMY'S SCHOOL OF SHINOBI CANNOT CONTINUE TO OPERATE.

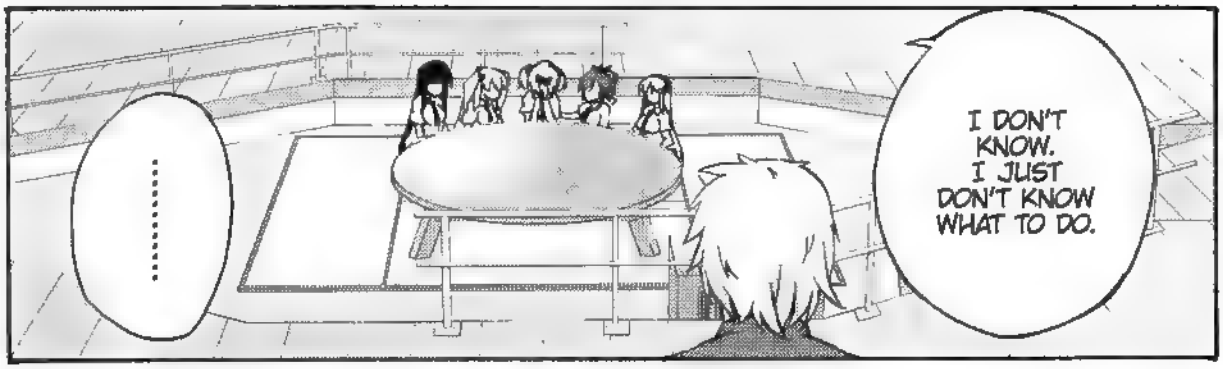

AND YOU ARE FORBIDDEN FROM ENTERING OTHER SCHOOLS.
THAT MEANS, WE WON'T BE ABLE TO BECOME SHINOBI?
EXACTLY.

WE'VE JUST GOTTA RECOVER THE SCROLL, RIGHT?
CHEER UP, GLUMMY-CAKES!
EEEP!
SLAP
YEAH...
I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT!
CLENCH
LET'S DO IT.
WE'LL BRING THAT SCROLL BACK.
WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?!
THAT'S A SURPRISINGLY ASTUTE OBSERVATION FROM KATSURAGI.
WHAT'S THE MATTER, HIBARI?
.....

WE'LL WORK TOGETHER TO FIX THIS!
HUH?
BY GIVING THE HEBIJO GANG WHAT THEY DESERVE.
KA-POW
BUT HOW CAN WE GET IT BACK?
BUT I SAW...

WHAT DID YOU SEE?
THE HEBIJO GIRLS AREN'T ALL BAD...
THEY STUDY HARD AND CARE FOR THEIR FRIENDS...
THEY'RE THE SAME AS US. THEY'RE WORKING HARD TO BECOME SHINOBI, TOO.

WHAT ARE GOOD NINJAS? OR BAD NINJAS?!
WHY DO WE HAVE TO FIGHT? BECAUSE OF THESE TITLES?!


I DON'T KNOW. I JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO.
.....

KIRIYA SENSEI...?
YES?

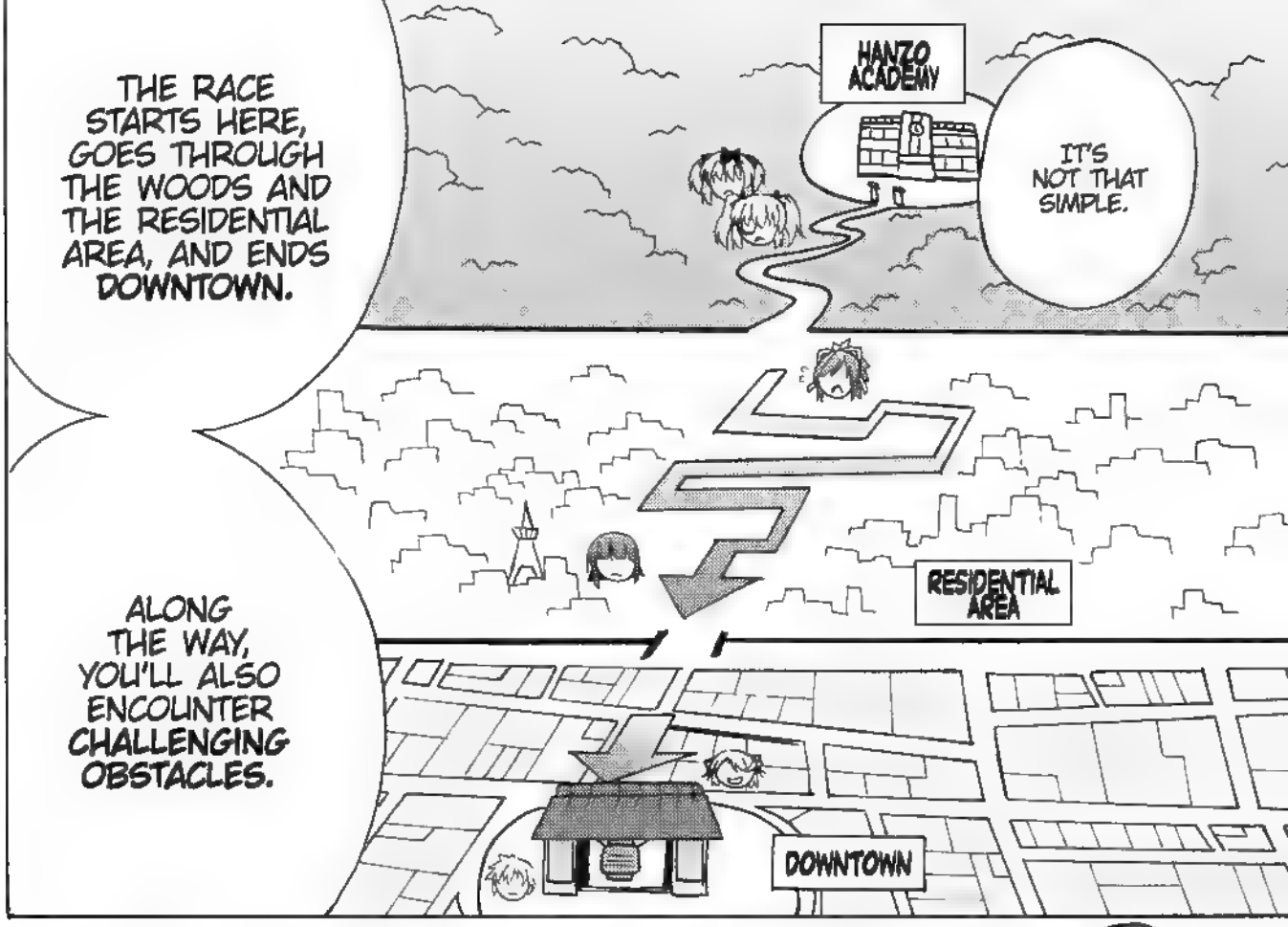
LET ME...
LET ME TRAIN.
WHY DO YOU WANT TO TRAIN NOW?
I DIDN'T WANT TO FIGHT HOMURA-CHAN, EITHER.
I THINK I UNDER-STAND HOW YOU FEEL, HIBARI-CHAN.
BUT I FEEL DIFFERENT, SOMEHOW.
WHY?
HRRRM...
MAYBE I'LL FIND OUT DURING TRAINING.

ASUKA-SAN MUST HAVE SOMETHING IN MIND.
COUNT US IN!
TRAINING SOUNDS GOOD.
BUT...
I'LL DRAW UP A SPECIAL TRAINING SCHEDULE. MEET ON THE SCHOOL GROUNDS EARLY TOMORROW.
GET SOME REST TONIGHT.
HMM...
ALL RIGHT.
YES, SIR!

THE NEXT MORNING.
HAH...!
HAH...!
!!!
A
THUMP
THUMP
!!!
A
GOOD MORNING!

OH? WHERE'S SISTER KATSU?
!?
PANT!
PANT!
!?
HUFF!
HUFF!
GOOD MORNING, ASUKA-SAN.
MORN-ING.
MOR-NIN'.
PANT!
!?

POOF
GOOD. YOU'RE ALL HERE.
KIRIYA SENSEI!
YOU'RE LATE~!
♪
AW SU~ KA~!
WHOA?! SISTER KATSU!!
FONDLE
RACE... SO, IT'S A SPEED TEST?
Guuuuh...
WE'RE GOING TO TRAIN USING THE RACE COURSE I'VE PREPARED.
SO, WHAT ARE WE DOING TODAY?


THE RACE STARTS HERE, GOES THROUGH THE WOODS AND THE RESIDENTIAL AREA, AND ENDS DOWNTOWN.
ALONG THE WAY, YOU'LL ALSO ENCOUNTER CHALLENGING OBSTACLES.
HANZO ACADEMY
IT'S NOT THAT SIMPLE.
RESIDENTIAL AREA
DOWNTOWN

YOU'LL FIND ME AT THE GOAL, DISGUISED AS ONE OF YOUR ENEMIES.
WHOEVER DEFEATS ME AT THE GOAL IS THE WINNER.

IT SOUNDS LIKE IT WON'T BE EASY TO REACH THE GOAL.

WILL THERE BE SOME KIND OF PRIZE FOR THE WINNER?
Spasm
Spasm
I'LL THINK ABOUT IT.
OMPH ?!
GABA
ENEMIES, YOU MEAN?!
SPORTS DAY?!
OH, LIKE A SPORTS DAY OR FIELD DAY. LOTS OF FUN!
?
WE HAVE TO WEAR THIS.
IN THAT CASE...

KIND OF A SHINOBI COSTUME...
DOESN'T DIFFER MUCH FROM MY USUAL OUTFIT...
Bounce
Bounce
HOW CAN SHE BE SO WELL PREPARED?
SISTER KATSU...
AREN'T I AMAZING?
THAT WAS NOT PRAISE!
YAGYU-CHAN, YOU'RE SO CUTE!
YOU THINK SO?
NICE BUTTS!
CAN WE BEGIN BEFORE NIGHTFALL?

AS THE CLASS REP, I SHALL GIVE THE STARTING SIGNAL.
Sniffle...
Sniffle...
I'LL BE WAITING.
Vwaaap
READY...
GET SET...

GO!!
WHAT?! CHEATER!!

ZOOOOM
FOOLING FRIENDS IS A NINJA ART, TOO!

WAIT FOR ME...!
CLOP
CLOP
WAIT! YOU... MEANIE!!
DASH
SISTER KATSU!!
.....
Dash

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HEE HEE.
I DON'T SEE ANY OBSTACLES. IT'S GONNA BE AN EASY WIN!
TMP
TMP
TMP
THE PRIZE IS MINE!
AH HA HA HA HA!
COULD THAT BE...?!!
Fwaaap
Screech
EH?!

SHOOM
THEY MUST BE A PRESENT DIRECTLY FROM GOD!!! YAHOOO !!!!
THOSE ARE WITHOUT A DOUBT IKARUGA'S PANTIES!!
QUITE RARE!
PANTIES? I RUN FASTER WITHOUT THEM!
I CAN TELL...
FLAP
FLAP
I KNOW...
SWISH

AAAAA-
AARRR-
RRRGH!
KA-THWAAM
WHAT THE...?
SWIP
SWIP
FWISH
HUH?
FWISH
FWISH
FWISH
IT'S AN ILLU-SION!

UGH...
URRRGH ...!
I'M TRAPPED...
WELL, AT LEAST I GOT TO SEE IKARUGA'S IMAGINARY PANTIES.
WOO~!
SO WORTH IT...
GIVING UP...

SOME-
BODY...
NINJA HEARING
SKILLS...
SOUNDS
LIKE...
--ELP
...

HIBARI?
HIBARI!
WHERE
ARE
YOU?!
OVER
HERE...
GLANCE
GLANCE
AH!
FOUND
YOU!

H-HIBARI?!
WAAAH! HELP ME, YAGYU-CHAN~!
WHAT'S WITH THE SEXY BOND-- I MEAN, WHAT HAPPENED?!
I DON'T KNOW~!
DASH
HANG ON!
I'M COMING FOR YOU!
SNAG

ZWIIIIIP
.....
ぶらーん
DANGLE
YAGYU-CHAN...

DON'T WORRY, HIBARI. I WILL GET YOU OUT OF THIS...
SOB
ズビッ
THANKS, YAGYU-CHAN.

FIRST, LET'S ASSESS OUR SITUATION.
OKAY!

ZUUM
ZUUM
ZUM
TAP
STAH
EVERY-THING'S GONE FINE SO FAR...
WILL IT REALLY BE THIS EASY?
OH?
WHAT'S THAT?
TAH
TAH

ARRRGH! EELS...?!
Spliiish
THE GROUND HAS LIQUEFIED...
AH. IT'S ACTUALLY A TANK...
NINJA SKILLS ARE SCARY.
SPLASH
I ACCEPT THIS CHALLENGE!!
AS CLASS REP...
DA-DAN
I COULD GO AROUND AND AVOID THIS ALTOGETHER...
BUT TRAINING HAS VALUE ONLY IF YOU TAKE ON THE GIVEN CHALLENGE...
HMM...

SHIVER
AND...
SHIVER
SHIVER
IT'S HARD TO FIND MY...
IT'S FUR-THER...
THAN IT LOOKS.
Haah...
FOOT-ING?!
SLIP...
KYAA-AAA!!
SPLOOSH

I CAN'T WORRY ABOUT THAT. I HAVE TO KEEP MOVING.
SLITHER
URGH...
SOAK-ING WET
I'M DRENCHED.
YEE-EK!!
HEY NOW, MR. FRISKY!
WRIGGLE
WHA--?!
NO!
WRIGGLE

THIS IS A PART OF MY TRAINING!
THESE EELS ARE JUST LIKE KATSURAGI-SAN...
FLAP
FLAP
SLIDE
SLIP
SQUIRM
DETERMINED
SQUIRM
SQUIRM
I SHALL OVERCOME THIS, TOO... AS CLASS REP!
OOOOOHHHHH!

YEAH! MADE IT!
OOPS!
GYOOH
FWAAAP
WHOA!
SWOOSH
WAA-GH?!
GYA?!
ZGOOOOM
BYOOO

EEE-EEK!
CLOP
CLOP
IT'S JUST FULL OF TRAPS~!
I GOT STRUNG UP IN THE WOODS, FELL INTO A PIT, ESCAPED FROM A BOTTOMLESS SWAMP, FOUGHT OFF BEARS, TIGERS, AND SNAKES...
THEN, I WAS ATTACKED BY AN ARMY OF PUPPETS IN THE RESIDENTIAL AREA. I FINALLY ESCAPED THROUGH A BACK ALLY, ONLY TO FIND ANOTHER TRAP.
URRRGH! I'M TIRED AND HUNGRY~~!
STUB
HUH?
WHAAA?!
BANG
THUD
CRASH
THUMP
THUMP

YES!
STOP
ROLL
ROLL
ROLL
ROLL
WHOO-OOOO-OOOA!
I MIGHT NOT MAKE IT....
ROLL
ROLL
RUSTLE
SISTER KATSU!
HEY, ASUKA!
A-ASUKA-SAN... KATSURAGI-SAN...!
BLAP
PLEASE PULL THIS THING OUT!!
SOME-BODY, PLEASE HELP ME~!
EEEEE-EEEEL!
SPRINT
IKARUGA... SAN?!

TA-DA!
YAGYU-CHAN...
AND HIBARI-CHAN, TOO?!
WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?
NO IT'S NOT!!!!
OOH, I'LL HELP! I THINK IT'S DOWN HERE!
HUH? OH!
WE ALL MADE IT THIS FAR! SO...

RMB RMB RMB RMB RMB RMB RMB RMB
AHAHAHAHAHAHAH

AHAHAHAHAHAHAH
RMBL RMBL RMBL RMBL RMBL RMBL RMBL

YOU'RE LATE. I GOT SICK OF WAITING.
WHERE IS KIRIYA-SENSEI?!
DU-DUN!
WHEW!
Haah!
Haah!

NO, IT'S KIRIYA-SENSEI'S IN DISGUISE!
FWOOOOOO
HER VOICE SOUNDS THE SAME...
HOMURA-CHAN?!
WHAT ...?
SO, YOU'RE FIRST, KATSURAGI...
ZU ZU...
WELL, THEN...
SHE'S MINE!!
Zwaaaah
POUNCE
NO!

WHAT THE --?!
ZUOOOOH
THIS SHAPE IS MORE FITTING.
KATSU-RAGI-SAN!
CRASH
GRRRR!!
Zuum

SHIMMER...
FOR YOU, IKARUGA...
TSK... IT'S MY TURN!
THINK YOU CAN TAKE ME?
I HAVE MORE THAN ONE WEAPON.
KA-CHINK
CAH
OOOF! ARR-RRR-RGH!!

DAH
DAH
DAH
DAH
DAH
DAH
GR-AAH!
FOR YAGYU...
SHIFT
I'M NOT GIVING UP!
LEAP
ME, NEITHER !!
MURRR...
HE'S UNBEATABLE...!
KYA-AAA-AH!
BA-WHAM
WHAT'S WRONG, HIBARI?
CERTAINLY MORE SKILLED THAN THE ORIGINAL!

CH-KEEEENG
Huh?
SMIRK
YOU GIRLS GIVING UP, YET?
KWAM
IMPRESSIVE, ASUKA...
BUT...
NOT UNDETECT-ABLE!
GRRR ...!

NOR AM I!
.....
ME, EITHER!
AZU
ZAH
ZAH
ZAH
ZAH
ZAH
I'M NOT DONE!

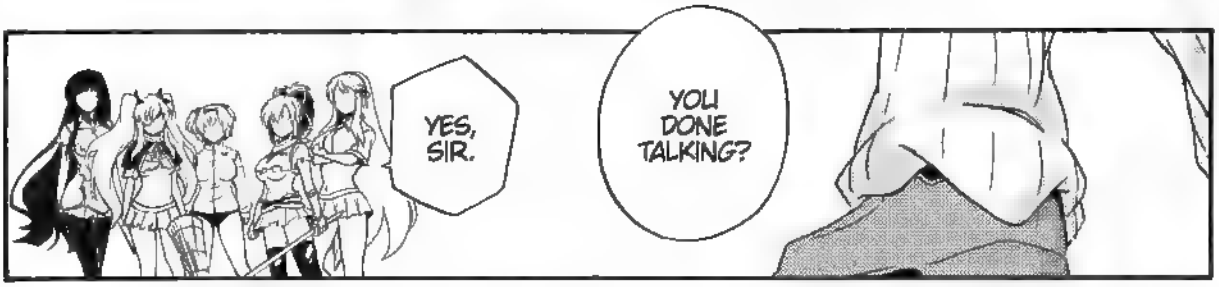
WHY...?

WHY ARE YOU ALL STILL...?

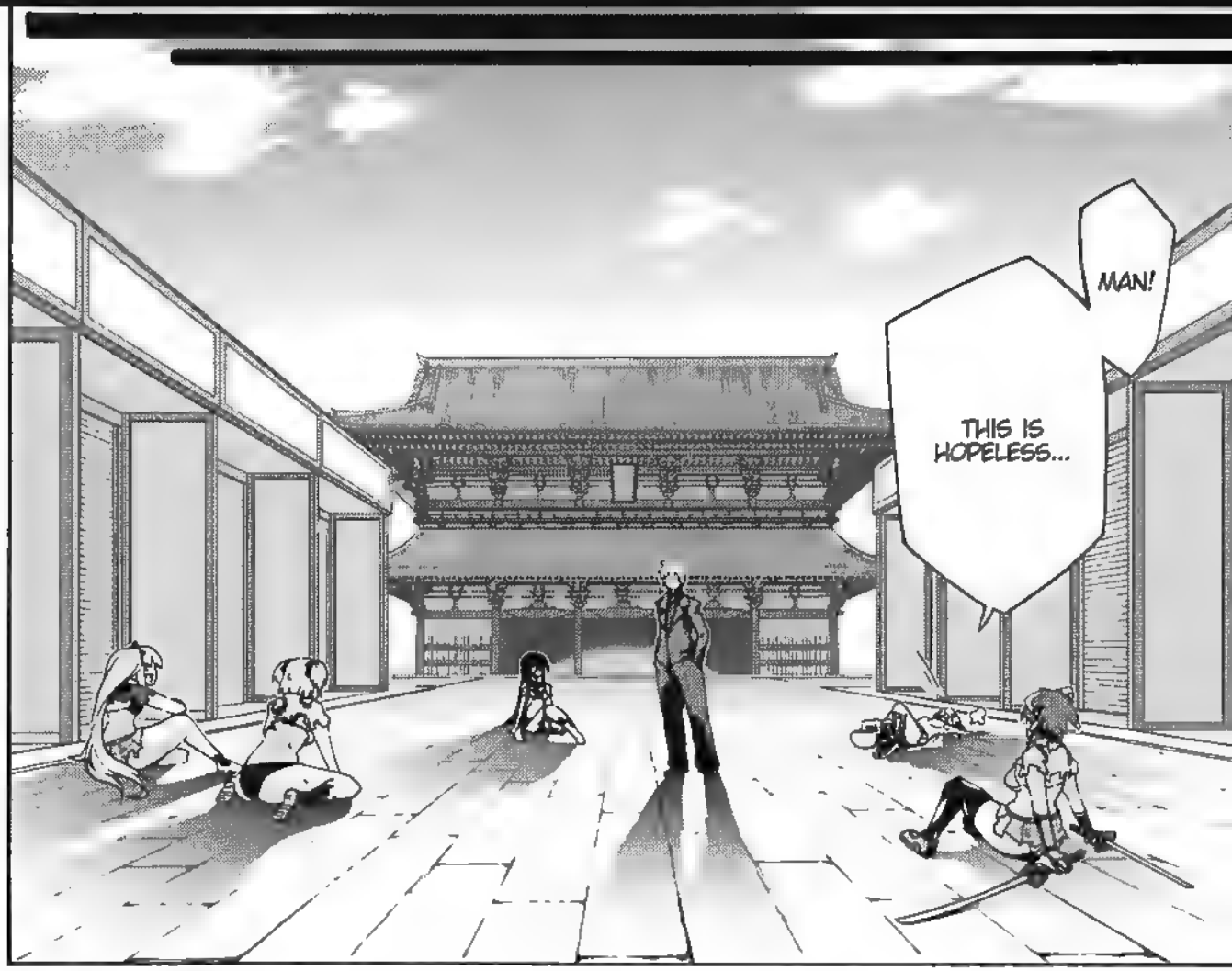
WHY DON'T YOU GIVE UP ALREADY?
NO. NOT YET...
SMIRK
I WON'T STOP TRAINING! I WILL BECOME A SHINOBI!

BUT... THE ONLY WAY TO UNDERSTAND THE HEBIJO STUDENTS IS TO FIGHT THEM.
LIKE YOU SAID, HIBARI.
THERE ARE NO GOOD NINJA OR BAD NINJA...
WE'RE ALL WORKING TOWARD THE SAME GOAL.
SQUEEZE
THAT'S WHY I'VE GOTTA GET BETTER. SO I CAN UNDERSTAND HER.
WOULD THEY UNDER-STAND ME, TOO?
COULD I ACTUALLY GET TO KNOW THEM BETTER?
OF COURSE!

WE ALL WANT TO BE GREAT NINJAS!
WHIRL
'CAUSE ...
OKAY!
THEN I'M STILL FIGHTING, TOO!


YOU! DONE TALKING?
YES, SIR.

SENSEI, PLEASE KEEP FIGHTING US!
DA-DAAN
UNTIL WE PASS OUT FROM THE EFFORT!


MAN!
THIS IS HOPELESS...

YEP.
BUT WE'RE NOT GIVING UP.

Ah ha ha ha!
EVEN TOGETHER, WE ONLY DAMAGED A SMALL PIECE OF HIS TIE!

WE'VE GOT A LONG WAY TO GO.
YOU SURE DO.

I'M CLAIMING THESE ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT COUPONS FOR SOME WICKED DELISH BARBEQUE.
Finger Lickin' good!
YaKiniKu
WAVE WAVE
I'M OFFICIALLY DECLARING THIS A DRAW.
BY DEFAULT, I'M THE ONLY WINNER.
NO FAIR!
WHAT?!
GIRLS!
I VOW TO RECOVER THE SUPER-SECRET NINJA ART SCROLL AND EAT SOME BOTTOMLESS, WICKED DELISH BARBEQUE!
STAND
YOU'RE NOT SAVING IT FOR NEXT TIME?!
NOT UNLESS YOU THINK YOU HAVE A CHANCE OF BEATING ME.
FLAP
SO MEAN!

WHO'S WITH ME?!
YEAH!

I'LL HAVE EQUALLY TOUGH TRAINING FOR YOU TOMORROW.
BE PREPARED.
GROAN! AYE, SIR...

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せんらんかぐら

SENRAN KAGURA
Skirting Shadows

THEY MUST NOT GO ANY FURTHER!
ENEMIES HAVE ENTERED THE SOUTHERN GATE! THE CASTLE HAS BEEN BREECHED!
ALERT!
KSHHH

DO NOT LET THEM APPROACH HOMURA-SAMA!!

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A FEW DAYS EARLIER...
SO...
THIS IS THE OTHER SUPER-SECRET NINJA ART SCROLL...
I DIDN'T WANT TO KEEP THIS FROM YOU...
BUT REVEALING THIS REQUIRED PERMISSION FROM THE HEADMASTER.
HEBIJO CAPTURED THE YANG SCROLL.
THIS IS THE YING SCROLL...
I'M THINKING OF...
GIVING THIS TO YOU...
ASUKA.
.....
HUH?

KATSURAGI AND IKARUGA ARE MORE SKILLED.
Oh?
QUITE...
BUT SISTER KATSU AND IKARUGA-SAN ARE BETTER ...
WHAT?! ME?!
STRONG ...
WILL POWER ...
IT TAKES WILL-POWER. DRIVE.
HOWEVER, IT TAKES MORE THAN SKILL TO BECOME A MASTER SHINOBI.
ゴクッ
GULP...
TO CONTINUALLY IMPROVE.
I'M COUNTING ON YOUR DESIRE...
THAT'S WHY I CHOSE YOU.
DO IT!!
I'LL...
I UNDER-STAND ...
.....

CRACK...
DON'T LOWER YOUR GUARD, KATSURAGI-SAN!
WE'RE OUTNUMBERED, BUT THEY'RE OUTMATCHED!
Do-goooh
WHOA!
THERE'S SOMEONE WE CAN SINK OUR TEETH INTO...!
zboo-oom

BO
BO
?!
PH-WAK
NINJA RABBIT !!
POOF
VZZT
VZZT
VZZT
?!

HUH--
WHA?!
Grab
YO!
KA-WHAM
SWAAASH
AAAA-
UUUU-
UUUGH
!!!
WHO-
AAA
?!
YAH!
KeeN!
KeeN!

DASH!
GO, ASUKA-SAN!
THANK YOU, IKARI-GAA!
ZVOOOOM
ズ ズ ン ・・・ ・・・
Thuuump...
WE FINALLY GOT IT.
PHEW ...

SHUDDER

I WANT TO FACE HER NOW, BUT...
SQUEEZE
HOMURA-CHAN!

BUT, I CAN'T LEAVE YOU...
GO, ASUKA-SAN.
WE'VE GOT THIS, ASUKA-SAN.
I'LL DO MY BEST!
WE CAN HOLD OUR OWN, THANKS.
TMP
YOU GUYS...
SEE YOU LATER!!

DON'T LOSE, ASUKA!!
YO!
TONK
WELL...
Kah
LET'S GO, YOU GUYS!!

HOMURA-CHAN.
I'M COMING...!
Tan
Tan
Tan
KANG
FU...
FU FU FU...
HOP ON UP, ASUKA.
I'M WAITING FOR YOU!!

I HOPE KATSURAGI-SAN AND THE OTHERS ARE ALL RIGHT...
WHAT IS THIS ROOM...?
!
WELL, WELL, IT'S THE YOUNG LADY...
NICE TO SEE YOU AGAIN.
AW, YEAH!
Amebon

DU-DUN
I SUPPOSE...
THIS MEANS YOU WANT TO FIGHT?
HI
ZUUUM

HOMURA-CHAN...
Shwaa
ヒュウウ
HYUUU
I'M IMPRESSED THAT YOU CAME THIS FAR ALL BY YOURSELF...
ASUKA.

HO-MURA-CHAN! WE DON'T HAVE TO--
AGAIN WITH THE FRIENDS? SUCH A SOFTIE...
EN-OUGH.
LET'S GET ON WITH THIS.
STAND
I GOT THIS FAR BECAUSE OF MY FRIENDS.
NOT BY MYSELF.
I SUPPOSE...
THERE'S NO OTHER WAY!
MY BODY IS TIN-GLING...
COME ON, GIRLIE!!
IT'S TIME...

ching
TO DANCE!
DASH
Buoooh
!
WHIRL
YOU KNOW ...
I DO LIKE YOU.
I KNEW IT. STRAIGHT AS AN ARROW.
HYUUN
Grab
BUT...
Shuu...
NINJA SLASH!
Ch-KEEEN

TUK
TUK
GEEEEN
FUT
YOU STILL ...
CAN'T DEFEAT ME.
FWING
Shuu
HERE'S WHY.
KSHEEET
KYA-AA-AH?!
YOU ARE WEAK.
SHUNK

WHY ARE YOU HERE, HOMURA-CHAN?
.....
WHY BECOME A SHINOBI...?
IT'S SIMPLE.
TO PROVE I'M ALIVE.
HOMU-RA--
EVEN IF ONLY FOR A MOMENT.
clench
THAT'S WHY...

I SEEK OUT BATTLES FOR LIFE OR DEATH!
Zuaaah
IT'S WHY I CRAVE POWER ...!!
OOF!
I...
I WANT...
I FIGHT TO PROTECT MY FRIENDS!
EVEN IF IT'S FROM THE SHADOWS, I WANT THEM TO BE HAPPY!
WHY?
FROM THE SHAD-OWS?
BE-CAUSE ...

HA!
TRUE JUSTICE...
REQUIRES NO COMPEN-SATION!
JUSTICE...? FRIENDS...?
LIAR!
YES, YOU DO!
I DON'T NEED ANY OF THEM!!
WE ALL DO!
NO!!

!
YOMI-CHAN!
Ja-KEEEN...
DAM-MIT!!
HAVE SO MUCH STAMINA?!
HOW COULD SHE...

UGH!!
HIKAGE-SAN!
KEEEN
HARUKA-SAN!
MIRAI-CHAN!
RUUR ...!
AND THE OTHER HEBIJO GIRLS!

YOU SHOULD KNOW BEST, HOMURA-CHAN!!
OF ALL PEOPLE...
I SHOULD KNOW THEM?
ME...?

KEEEN

AHHH

DAN!

OOF...

BLAST IT! I'M OUT OF WEAPONS!!

ZU

ZA

ZA

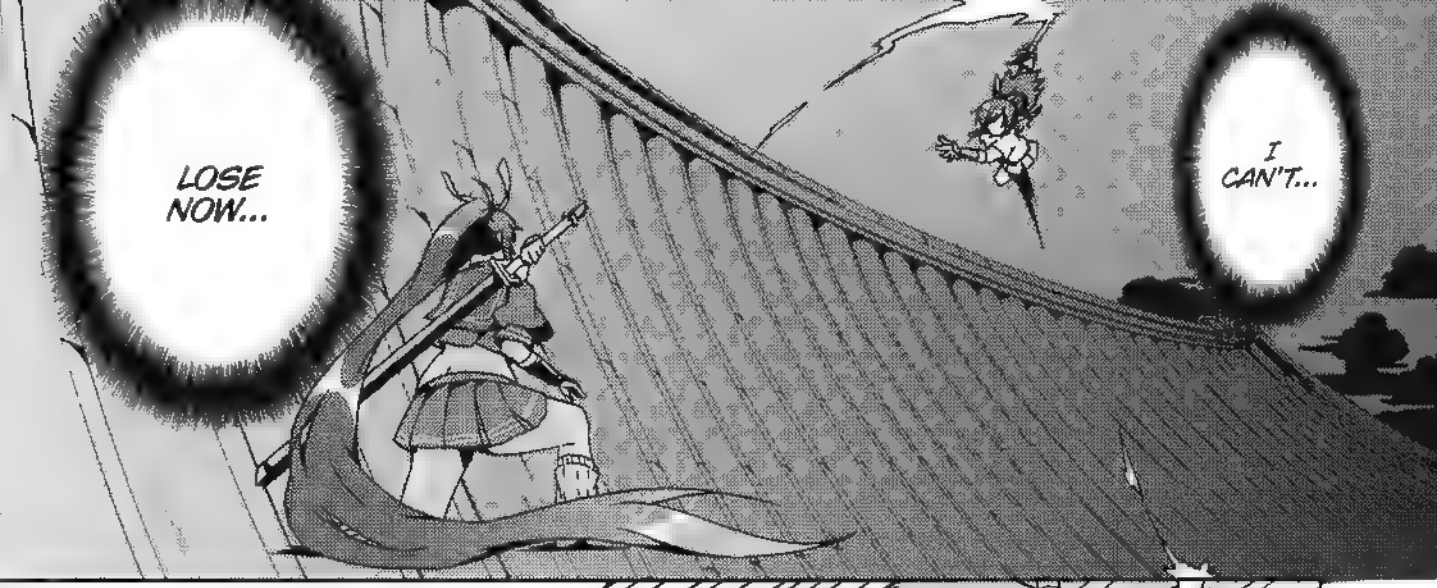
ZA

ZA

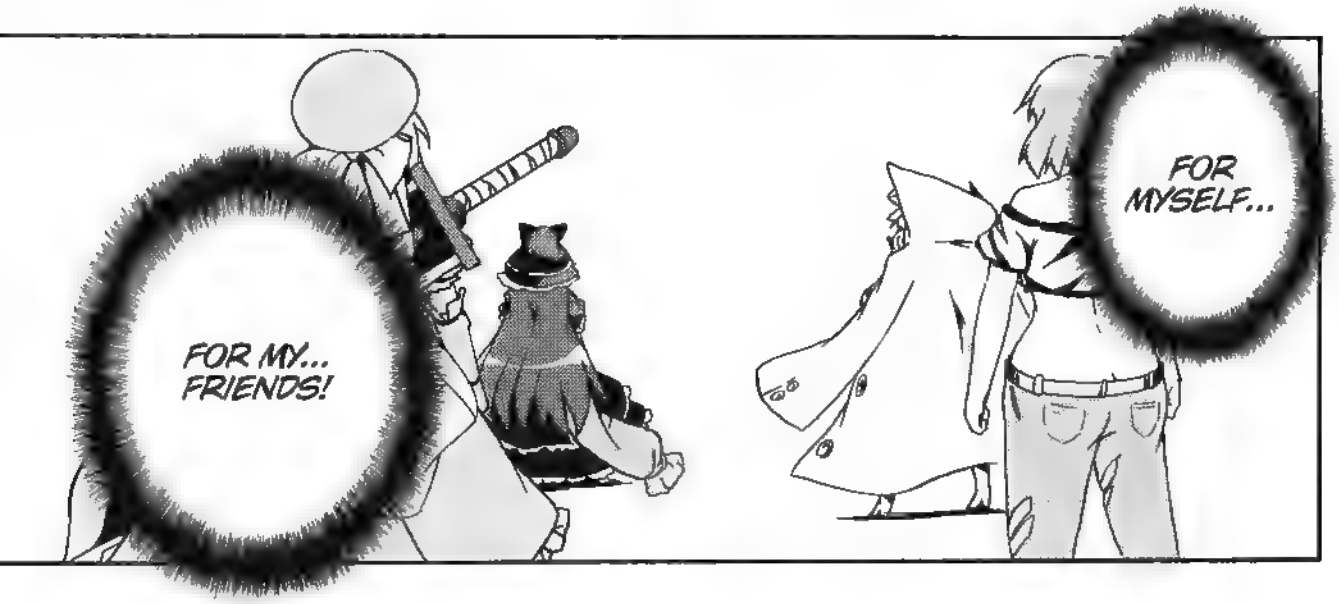
OOF...
BLAST IT! I'M OUT OF WEAPONS!!
ZU
ZA
ZA
ZA

KEEEN
ザシュッ!!

NO...
DAMMIT...!
KWAAASH
CLACK
CLACK
OUT...
OUT, YOU WORTH-LESS BLADE!!
CHINK
GOD...
DAMMIT!!


LOSE NOW...
I CAN'T...

YAAAAAA-
AAAAAAA-
AAAAAAA-
AAAAHHH!


FOR MY... FRIENDS!
FOR MYSELF...

I CAN'T LOSE!!

ZWAAASH
WHA
--?

GOOOOOH
!!
!!!
URRR-
RGH...
EH?!
Bo
Bo
Bo
Bo
Bo
Booo
BWOOOOOORR

BWOOOOORR
AAAA-
AAAA-
AAAA-
AAAA-
AARR-
RGH!!!
HOMURA-
CHAN...?

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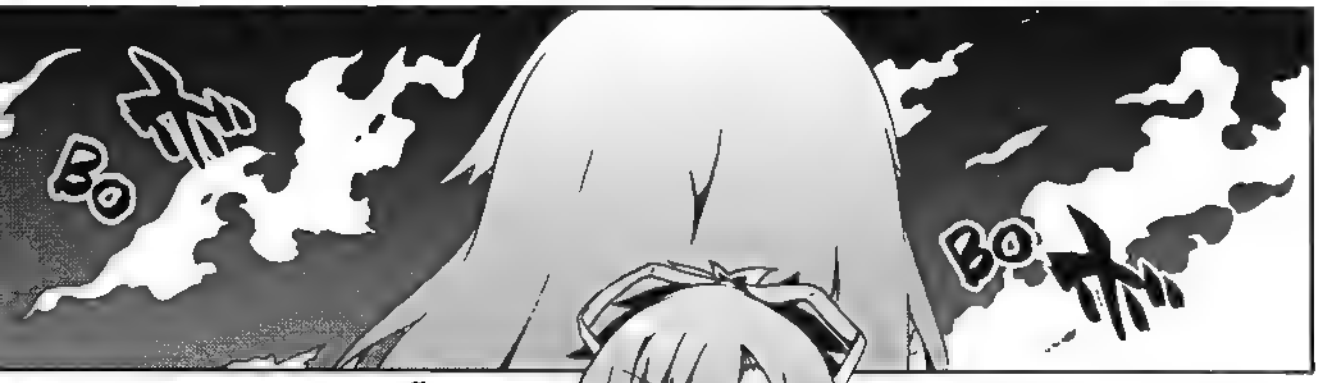
BO
BO
BO
BO
BO


BO
BO

STAGGER
WHAT'S HAPPENED TO YOU?
HOMURA-CHAN...

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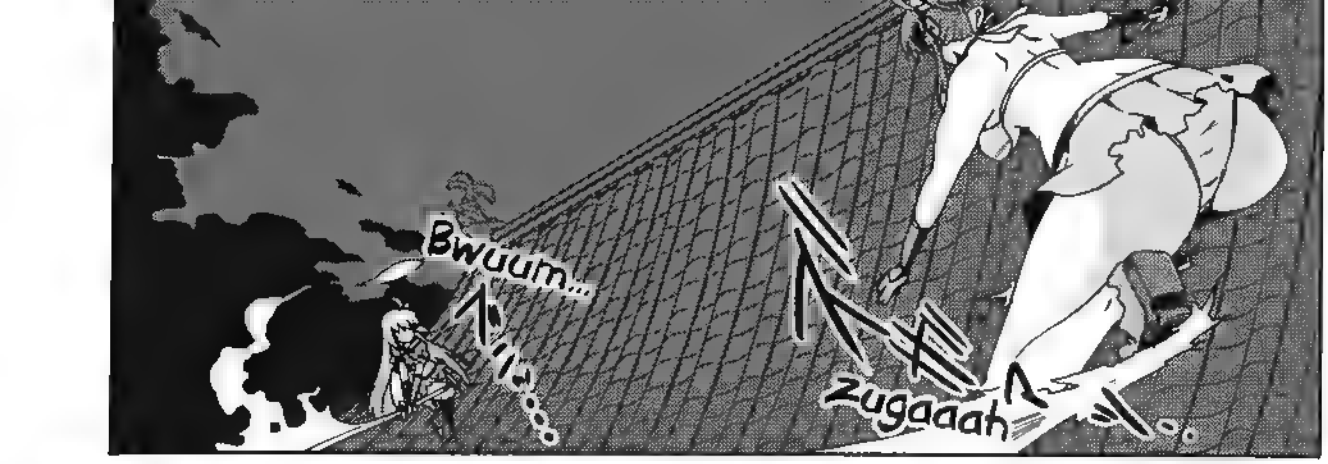
Bo
Bo
Bo
Bo
HA HAAA! I GOT IT! IT'S OUT!
IT'S THE SEVENTH SWORD!!
IT'S LIKE...
SUCH FORCE...
A BLAZING INFERNO!
BWOOOORR
zuaaaag
chi
chi
chi
Bo
Bo
I'M COM-ING!
ASUKA!!

I NEED MY SWORD ...!
UNH!
KYA-AAH?!
BO
BO
BO
BO
THERE IT IS!
Dash
SHWAAAP
HUFF ...
OVER MY DEAD BODY!!

YANK
zuaaah
Hmm...
swing

NICE...
BUT WITHOUT THE SUPER-SECRET NINJA ART SCROLL...
SWOOSH
YOU'LL NEVER TAKE ME DOWN!!
BO
BO
BO
UR-RGH !!
CLANG
YOU CAN'T PROTECT YOUR FRIENDS!!

Swaaap
Ting
HOW SAD.
MY SWORD ...?!


Bwuum...
Zugaaah

ASUKA!!
THIS IS THE END!

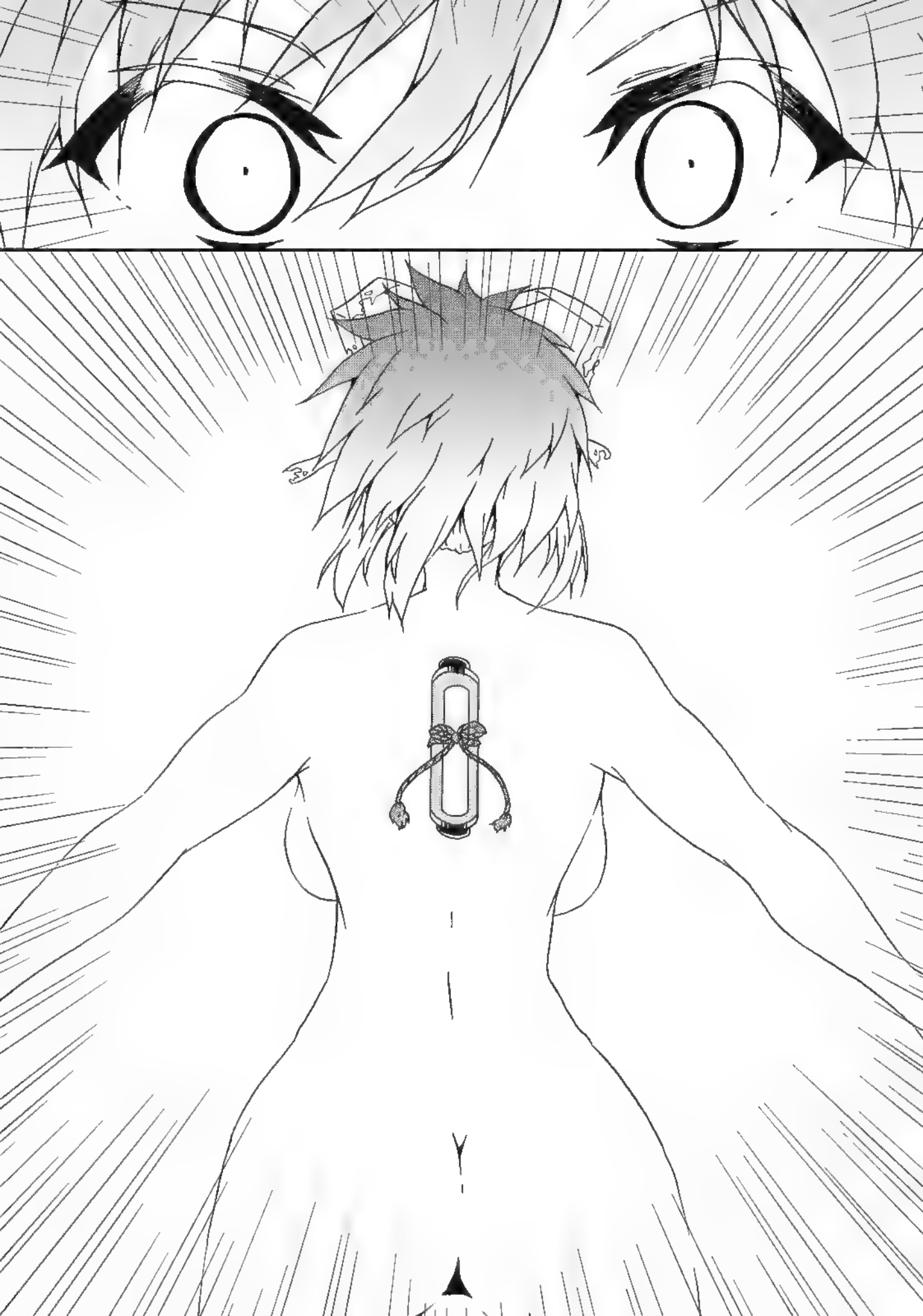
!

GRANDPA...

GRANDPA!
JUSTICE
GRANDPA ...
WHY...
YES?
WHAT'S THE MATTER, ASUKA?
IS YOUR BODY ALL TORN UP?
MEDALS OF HONOR?
YEP.
THESE?
THESE ARE LIKE MY MEDALS OF HONOR.

I'VE WITNESSED IT ALL TOO OFTEN.
Justice
A SHINOBI DANCES WITH DEATH.
C'MERE.
SCAMPER
JUSTICE
WHEN IT COMES, DEATH TAKES YOU INSTANTLY.
SCAMPER
IT'S WHY I FIGHT THE WAY I DO.
THESE WOUNDS ARE FROM SUCH BATTLES.
EACH WOUND REPRESENTS A FRIEND I'VE HELPED.
IF I CAN PROTECT A FRIEND, IT'S WORTH IT.
FOR A FRIEND, I'LL BE THE FIRST ONE TO FIGHT, REGARDLESS OF SAFETY.
BA-BAM
THAT'S WHY THESE ARE MEDALS OF HONOR.
HA HA HA!
IT MAY BE BEYOND YOU NOW...

RUFFLE
RUFFLE
BUT WHEN YOU'RE A LITTLE OLDER...
YOU'LL UNDERSTAND.
WHEN YOU'RE PROTECTING SOMEONE...
YOU NEED MORE THAN A SWORD OR SHIELD...
YOU NEED TO HAVE...
BOTH SWORD AND SHIELD.



Zum
!
Ai
TMP
ANGH!

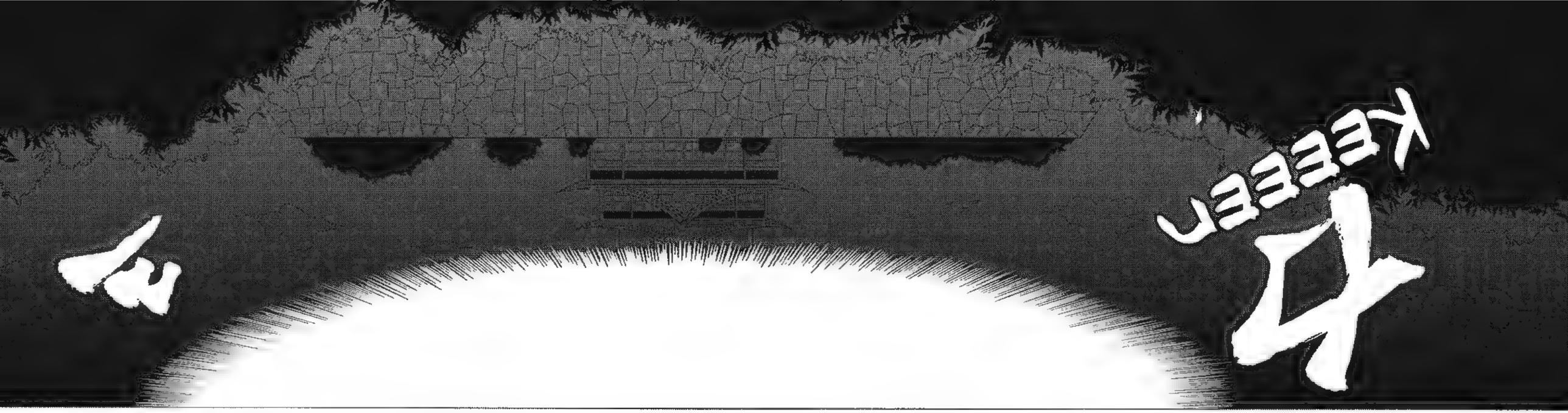
GRANDPA!
THANK YOU...
I GET IT NOW...
SWORD AND SHIELD.

I SEE... YOU'VE UNLOCKED THE FULL POWER OF YOUR SUPER-SECRET NINJA ART SCROLL...
HOMURA-CHAN!
SWSH

SHUU
THIS IS THE FINAL ROUND.

GOOH
I CAN FINAL-LY...
USE MY FULL POWER!!

DAAAN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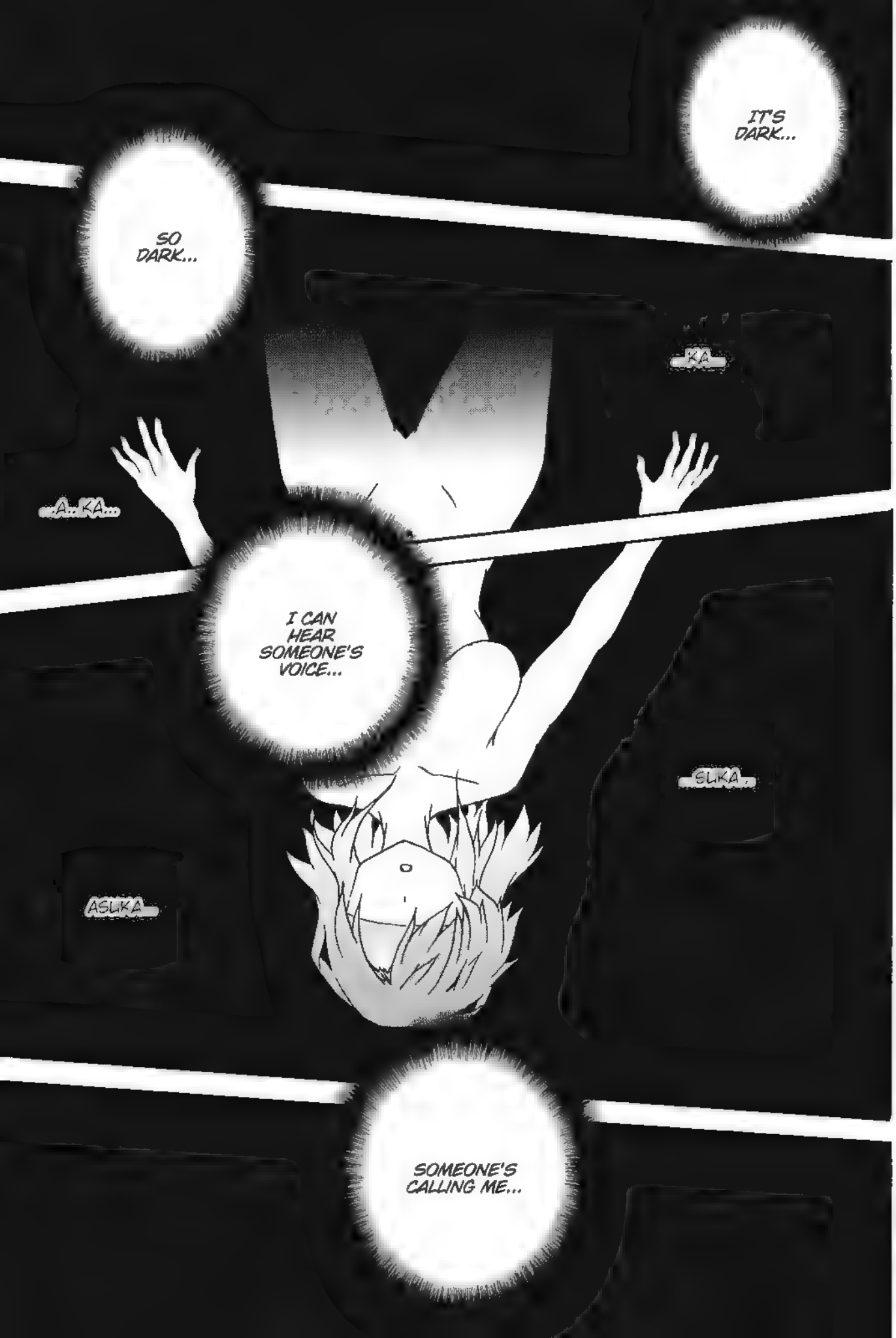
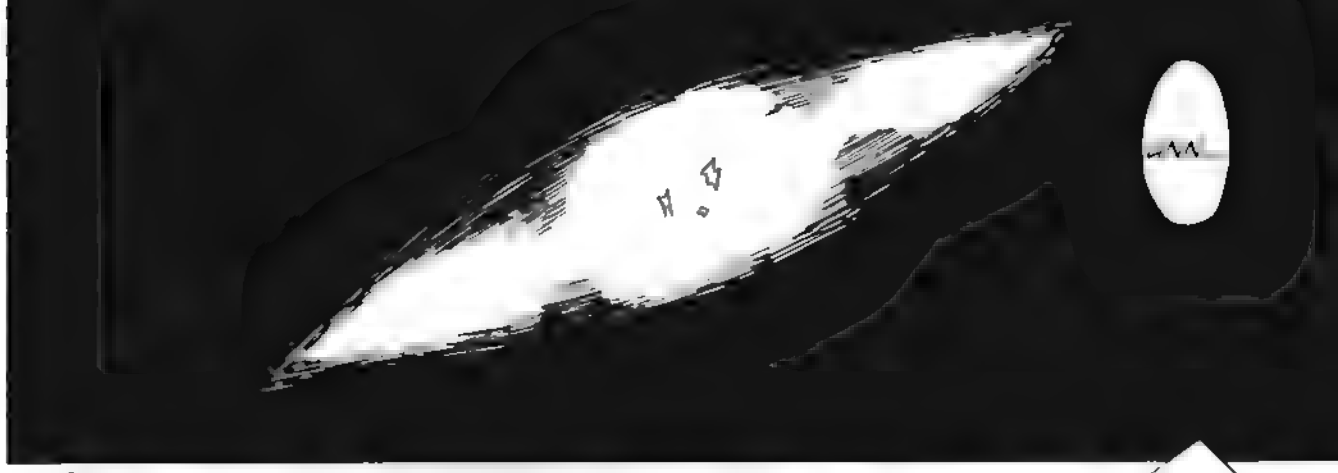
KEEEEE


IT'S DARK...
SO DARK...
KA
...A...KA...
I CAN HEAR SOMEONE'S VOICE...
SUKA
ASUKA
SOMEONE'S CALLING ME...



ASUKA-SAN!
ASUKA!
ASUKA-CHAN!
ASUKA ...!

YOU GUYS...
.....

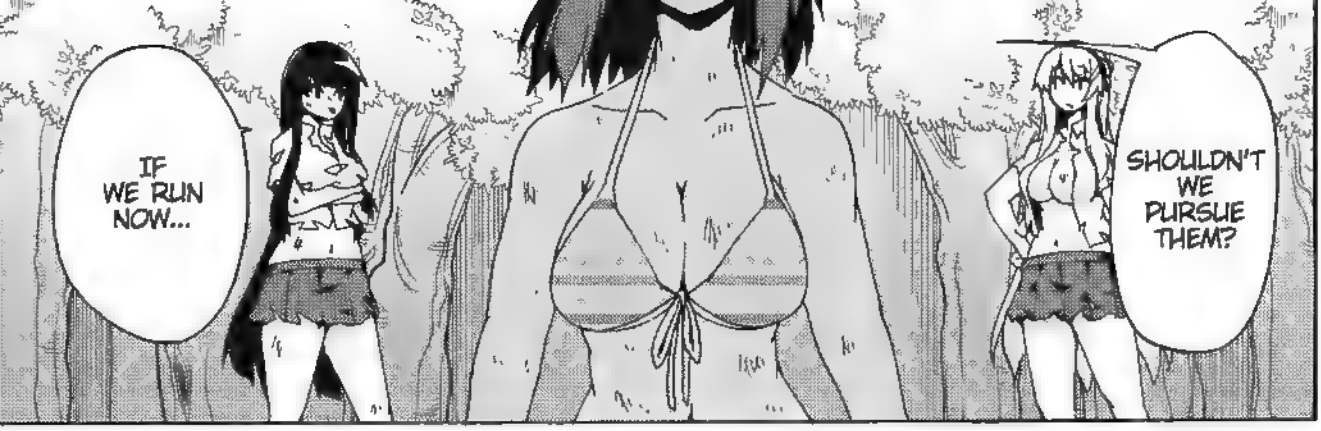
NO...
I'M FINE.
ARE YOU...
HURT ANY-WHERE?!
GLOMP!!!
I'M SO GLAD!!
WAIT!
WHAT ABOUT HOMURA-CHAN?!
SOB
SOB

I SEE...

SWIP...
THEY'RE RIGHT HERE.
RUMMAGE
RUMMAGE
AND THE SCROLLS?
HOMURA-CHAN...
HEY!
POINT
LOOK! OVER THERE!

OH...

GLINT...


IF WE RUN NOW...
SHOULDN'T WE PURSUE THEM?

LET THEM GO.

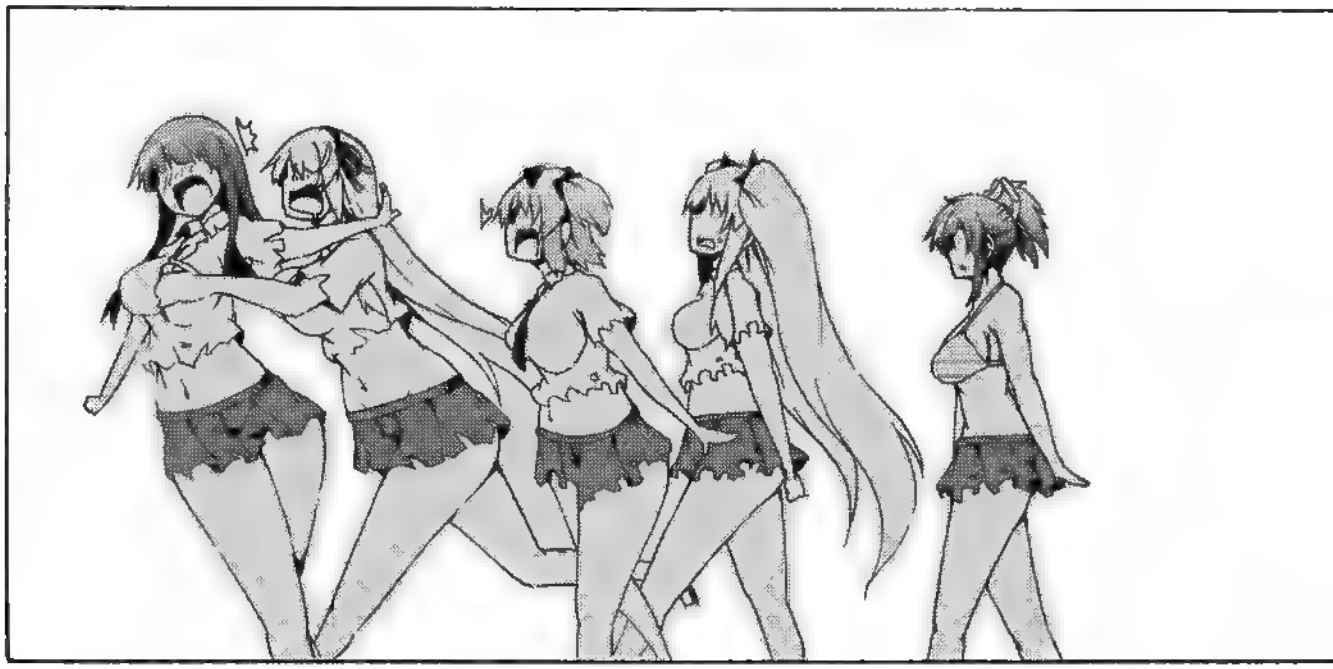
Hmm...

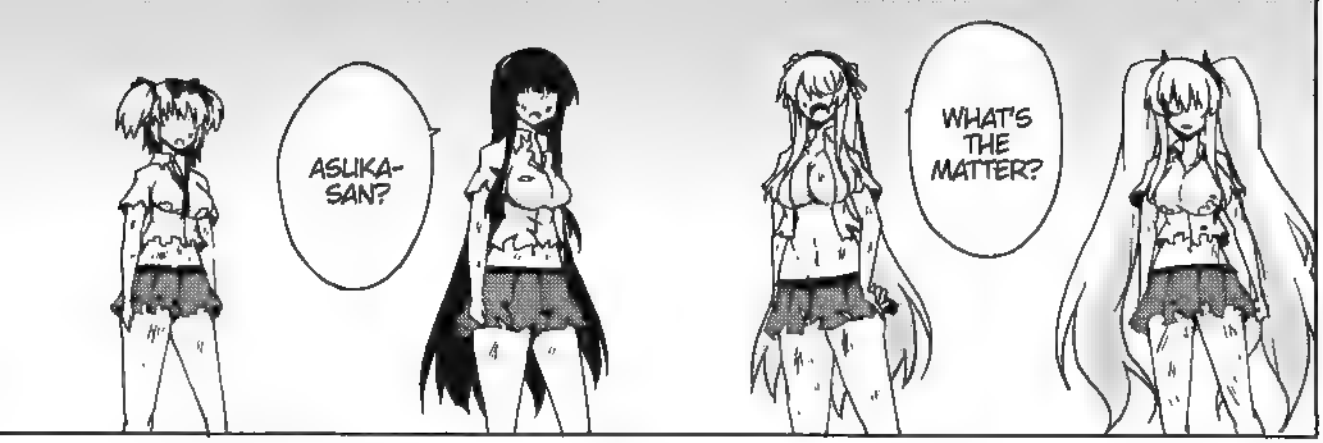
LET'S GO HOME.

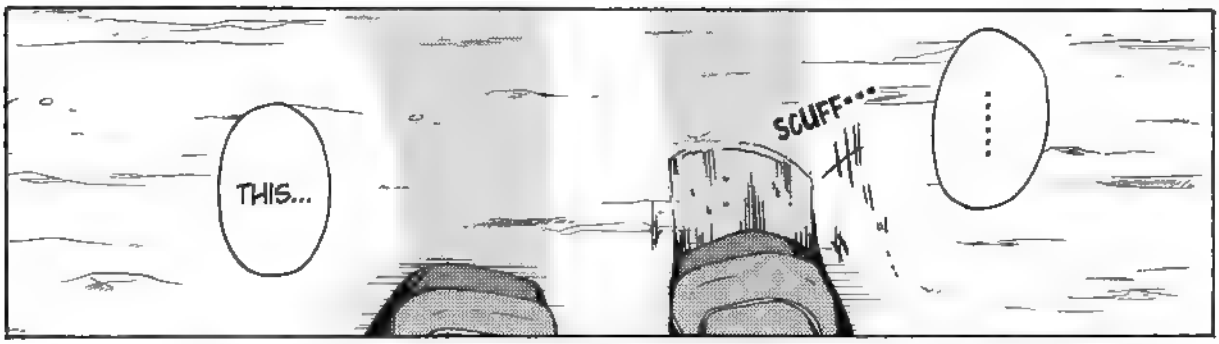
.....
YOU'RE RIGHT.

TO HANZO ACADEMY!

ELITE BANDS OF WARRIORS KNOWN AS SHINOBI FIRST FORMED DURING THE FEUDAL ERA.
THEY SPIED, ENGAGED IN SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES, AND EVEN PERFORMED ASSASSIN-ATIONS.
EVEN AS TIME PASSES, SOCIETY MAY CHANGE...
BUT PEOPLE DO NOT CHANGE.
THIS STORY CHRONICLES THE BATTLES BETWEEN STUDENTS OF SHINOBI. IT IS THE INTENSE AND FURIOUS ACCOUNTING OF THEIR LIVES.
WHAT WILL THE GIRLS LEARN BEYOND THE BATTLES? WHAT WILL THEY OBTAIN? WHAT WILL THEY LOSE? ONLY FATE KNOWS THE TRUTH.




ASUKA-SAN?
WHAT'S THE MATTER?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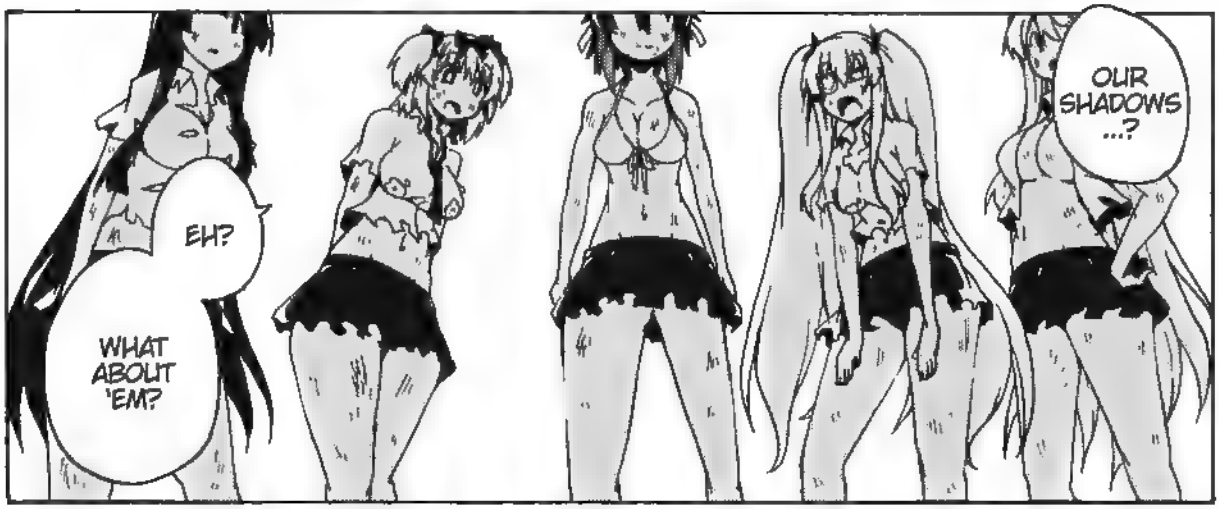
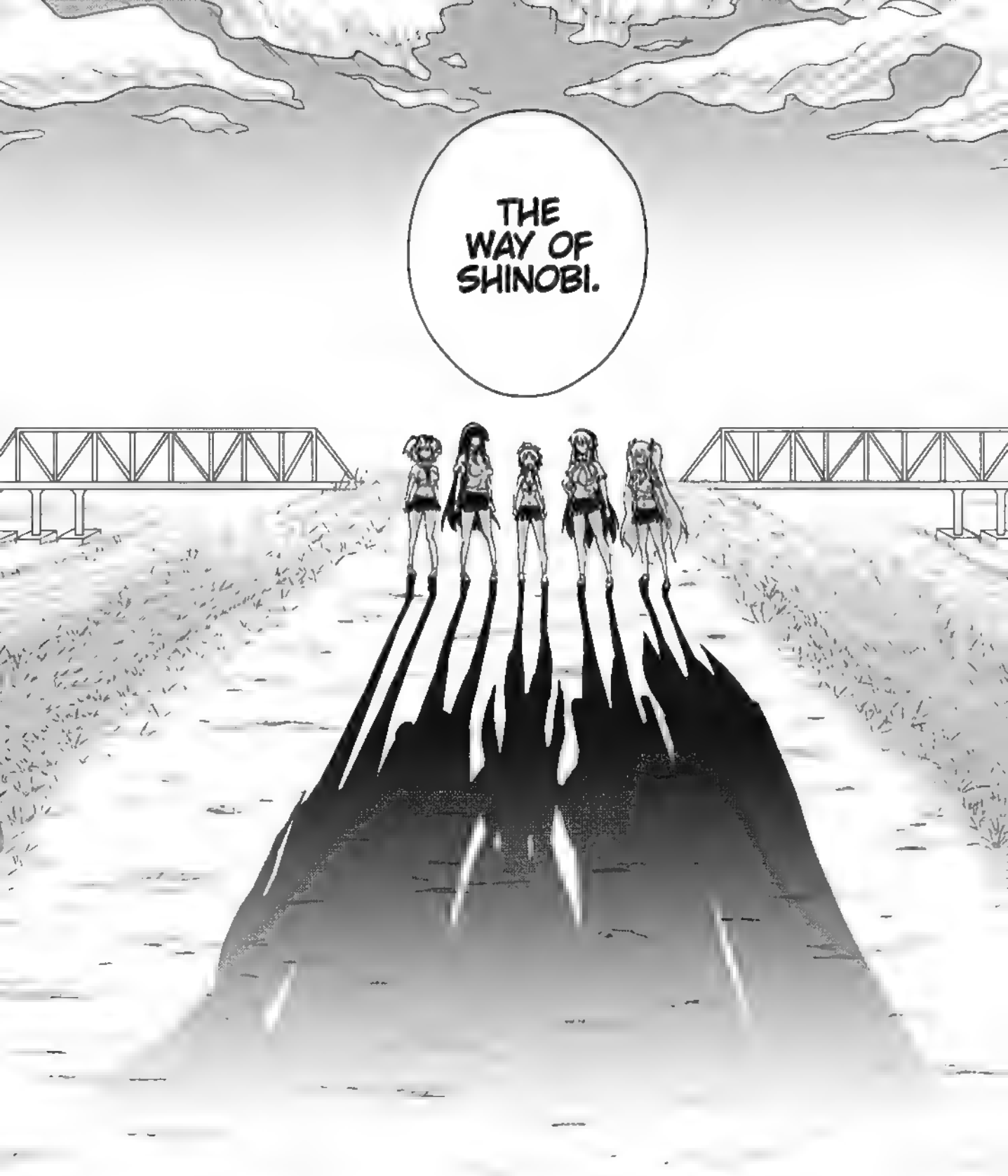

EH?
WHAT ABOUT 'EM?
OUR SHADOWS ...?

IT REMINDS ME OF...
WELL...



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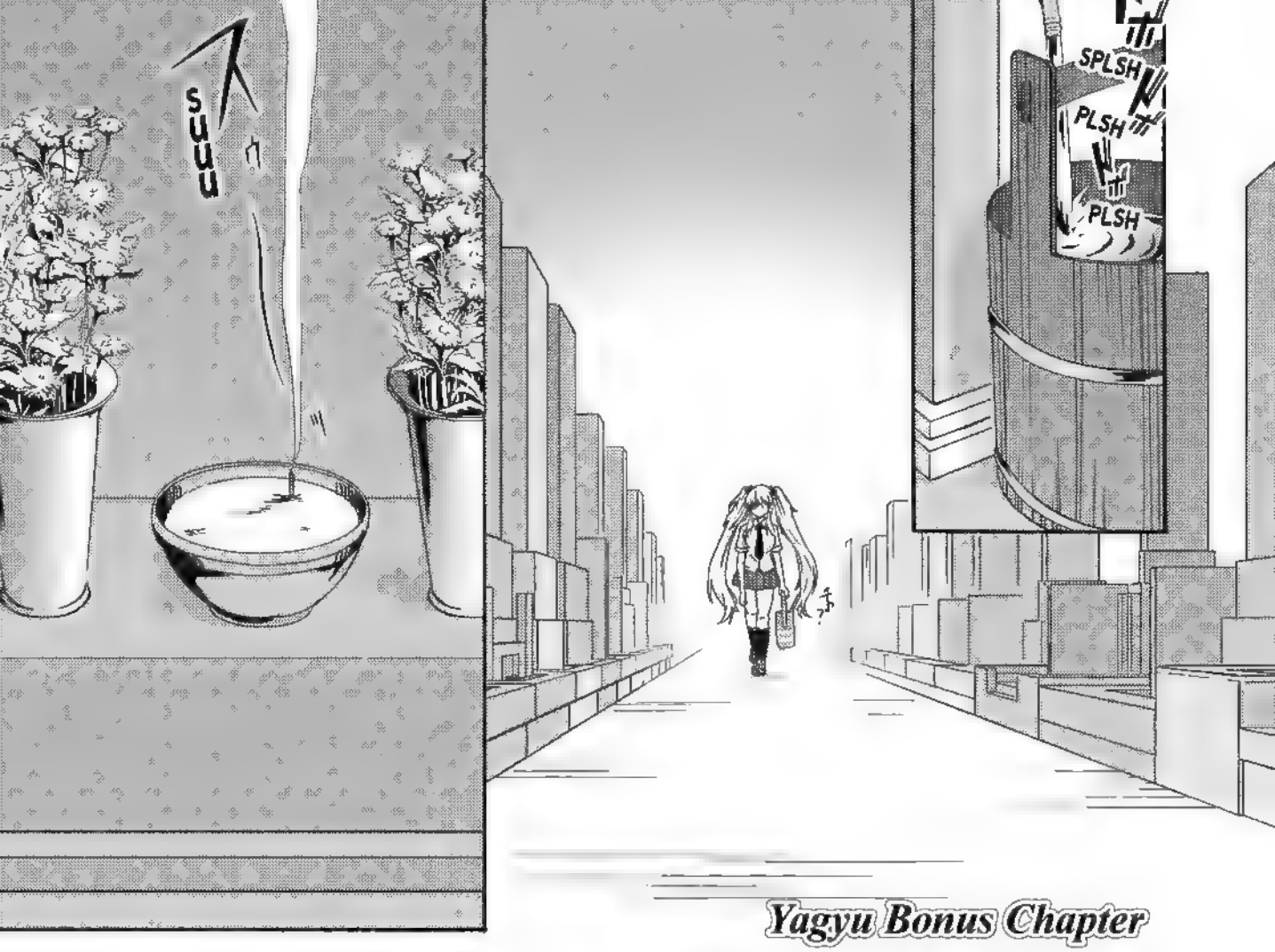

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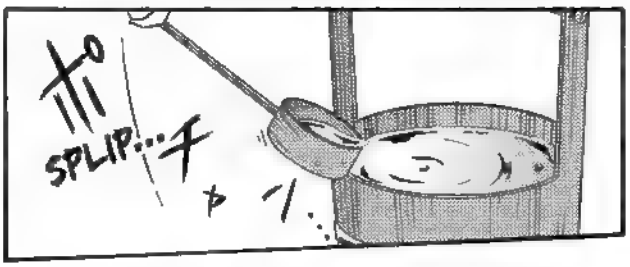


THREE YEARS EARLIER.
BIG SIS!
NOZOMI...
CLOP
CLOP
CLOP
WAVE
WAVE
SQUEEZE
HEE HEE!

Yah!
Yah!
DARN ...!
FWISH
SCRATCH
MISS
FLING
YES!
POSE
TH-WACK
ZUM
BIG SIS!

DINNER'S READY!
HERE!
EAT UP AND BE THE BEST SHINOBI EVER,
INNOCENT
LIFT
GOT IT. BUT I'LL NEED A LOT MORE THAN THIS!
BUT BEFORE THAT...
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
WILL YOU TIE MY HAIR?
SHF
SURE THING!

HOP
THANK YOU, BIG SIS!
Wave
Wave
THERE YOU GO...
TUG
Kaw
Kaaaw...

WHEN I LOST NOZOMI...

HALF OF MY SOUL...

DIED WITH HER.

NOZO-
MI!!
AH...
AAAH...
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
AAAAAAAAAAAAAA
AUUUUUUUGGG-
GGGGHHHHHH!!

TWO YEARS AFTER LOSING NOZOMI, MY FEELINGS SLOWLY BEGAN TO CHANGE.
I WAS NO LONGER CRYING AS MUCH AS I USED TO.
WE FORGET TRAGEDIES OVER TIME SO THAT OUR MINDS DON'T BREAK.
EVENTUALLY, THE PAST BECOMES LESS VIVID.
IT'S NOT A BAD THING.
SHEDDING FEWER TEARS MEANS YOU'RE HEALING.

I DON'T ACCEPT IT.
I CAN'T LET NOZOMI DISAPPEAR!
HOW CAN I FORCE MYSELF TO REMEMBER?
GLANCE...

THAT'S IT!
FINISHED.
CINCH
AND I SWEAR...
NOW, I'LL NEVER FORGET MY LITTLE SISTER.
SHF

I'M GOING TO BE THE BEST SHINOBI EVER!

YAGYU-CHAN!
NOZOMI ...?
YAGYU-CHAN?
SPARKLE
WOBBLE
OH...
IT'S YOU, HIBARI.
PAYING YOUR RESPECTS?
WELL, SORT OF, YES...

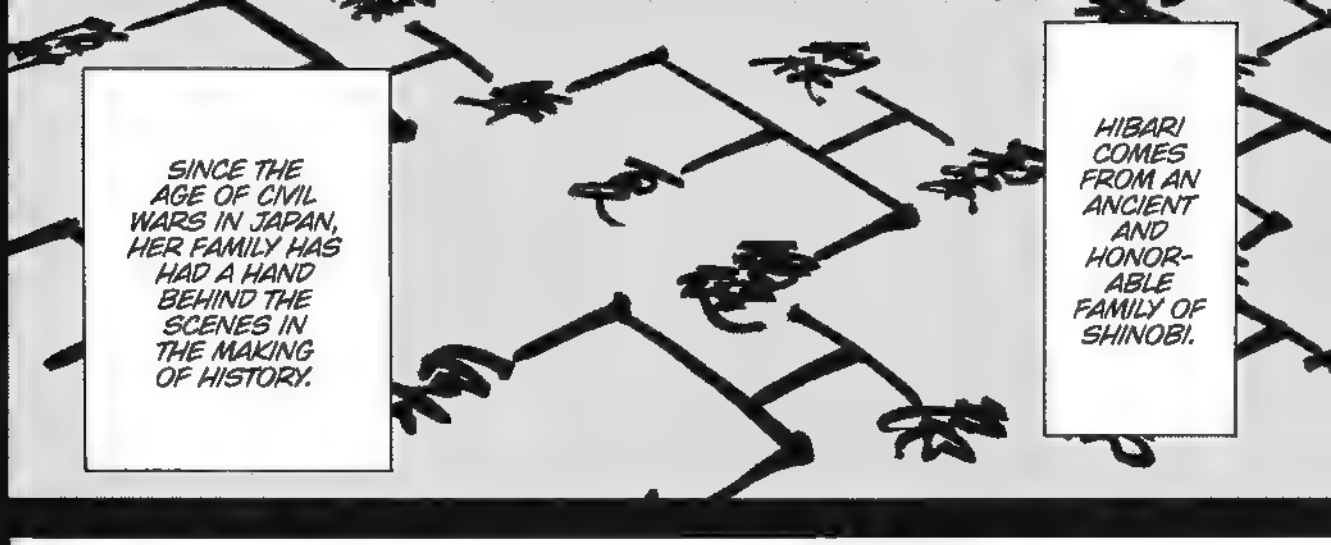
WHAT ARE YOU DOING ALL THE WAY OUT HERE?
WELL! WE DECIDED TO EAT SOME YUMMY FOOD IN TOWN AND--!
FLAIL
FLAIL
HMM...

ALL RIGHT THEN.
LET'S GO.

LET'S!

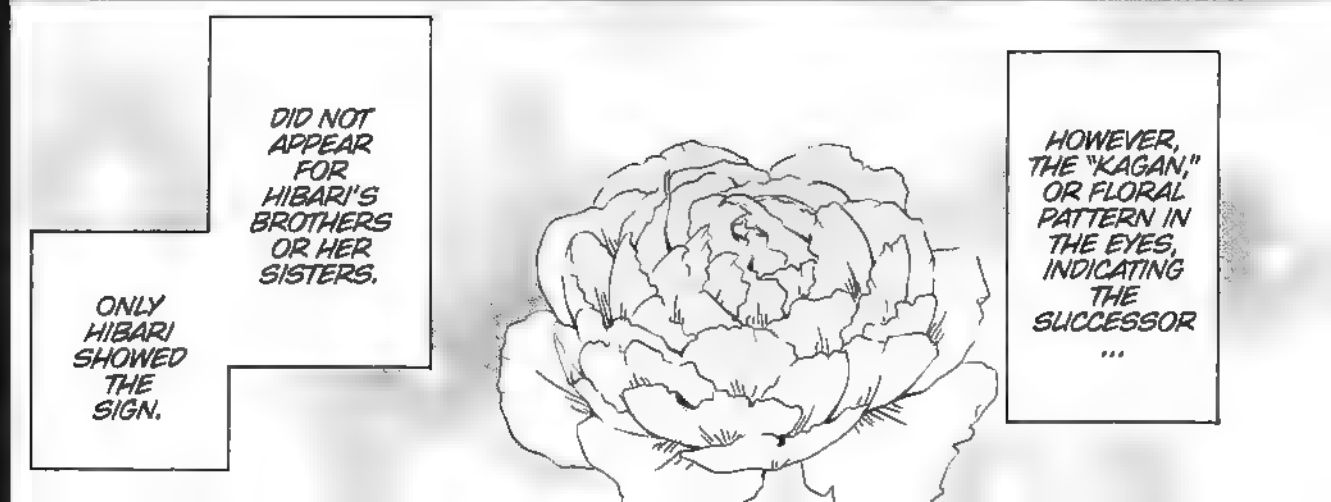
I'LL BE BACK AGAIN SOON.
NOZOMI...
Turn
Poh...
OKAY!
SEE YOU SOON...
BIG SIS!

Hibari Bonus Chapter


SINCE THE AGE OF CIVIL WARS IN JAPAN, HER FAMILY HAS HAD A HAND BEHIND THE SCENES IN THE MAKING OF HISTORY.
HIBARI COMES FROM AN ANCIENT AND HONOR-ABLE FAMILY OF SHINOBI.

WITH MANY OLDER BROTHERS AND SISTERS WHO EXCELLED ACADEMICALLY AND IN SPORTS...
DESPITE THIS LEGACY, HIBARI NEVER HAD ANY DESIRE TO BECOME A SHINOBI.

SHE FIGURED ONE OF THEM WOULD CARRY ON THE FAMILY TRADITION.


ONLY HIBARI SHOWED THE SIGN.
DID NOT APPEAR FOR HIBARI'S BROTHERS OR HER SISTERS.
HOWEVER, THE "KAGAN," OR FLORAL PATTERN IN THE EYES, INDICATING THE SUCCESSOR ...

SUDDENLY, A GIRL WHO PLANNED TO BECOME A PASTRY CHEF...
A GIRL SO UNLIKE HER BROTHERS, WHO HAD BEEN TRAINING HARD TO BECOME A SHINOBI...
LIFE CAN BE SO UNFAIR...
BUT HIBARI'S FAMILY TOOK IT IN STRIDE, AND WERE HAPPY FOR HER, DESPITE HER OBVIOUS LACK OF TALENT.
ONCE THE SIGN APPEARED, SHE BEGAN TO TRAIN.
IT WAS GRUELING, IN NO SMALL PART BECAUSE HIBARI KEPT MAKING MISTAKES, YET NO ONE COMPLAINED.
INSTEAD, THEY WERE PATIENT AND HELPED HIBARI TO LEARN.

HER CLASSMATES KINDLY EXTEND A HELPING HAND.

NO MATTER HOW CLUMSY SHE CAN BE...

DO I FEEL LIKE I'M BEING MANI-PULATED?
WIPE キュッ
WIPE キュッ
IF THEY DID... COULD I TELL?
UMMM...
THEY SAY THAT MY EYES HAVE THE POWER TO CONTROL PEOPLE...
YEAH...
THAT IS THE SECRET ABILITY OF HIBARI'S FAMILY, EMPLOYED THROUGHOUT HISTORY TO INFLUENCE EVENTS.
"KAGAN": A STAR-SHAPED PATTERN APPEARING IN THE EYES. THOSE EXHIBITING THIS SIGN ARE ABLE TO CONTROL PEOPLE'S MINDS.
HEY!
WHAT ABOUT THIS?
DING!
GLOOOM
IT'D MEAN THAT I DON'T HAVE ANY REAL FRIENDS.
SO, WHAT IF THAT POWER WAS FORCING EVERYONE TO BE NICE TO ME?

WHAT?
JUST UNDO IT ON ME.
THEN YOU'D KNOW FOR SURE!
FLAIL
FLAIL
BUT I DON'T REALLY KNOW HOW IT WORKS...
DON'T WORRY. YOU'RE NOT GOING TO ERASE MY MEMORY, RIGHT?
WAG
I GUESS ...
O-OKAY ...
THEN TRY IT ON ME! OKAY?!
Let's go!
THRUM!
HERE GOES...

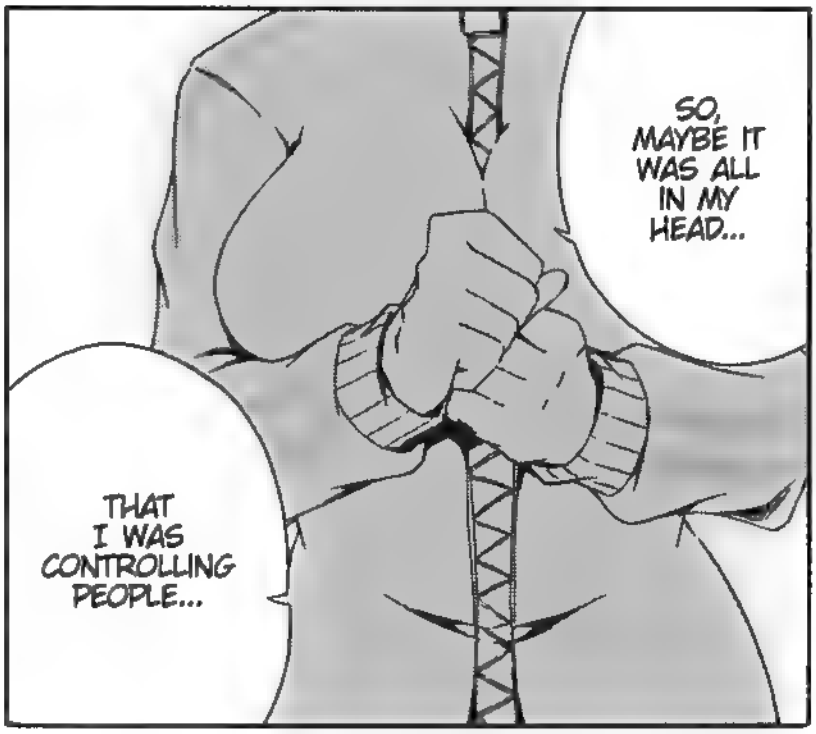
GUWAAAH
STARE INTO MY EYES.

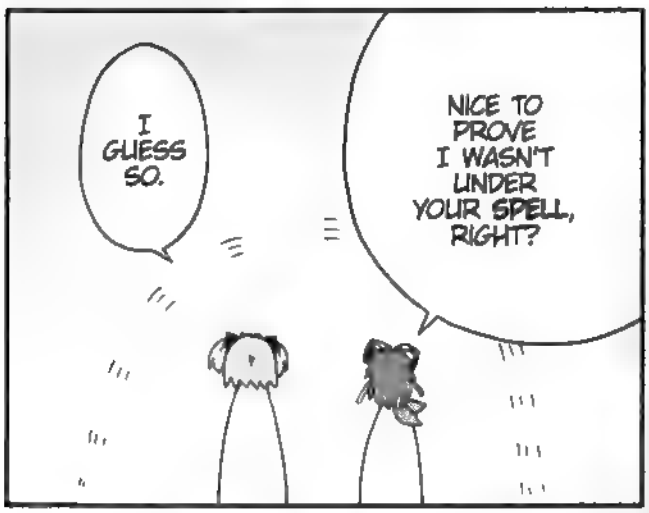
SHROOOO

Fwooo...

UH HUH! LOOK! NO DIFFERENT!
HAI-
YAH!
REALLY ?

ARE YOU OKAY, ASUKA-CHAN?
SURE. I DON'T FEEL ANY DIFFERENT.


SO, MAYBE IT WAS ALL IN MY HEAD...
THAT I WAS CONTROLLING PEOPLE...


I GUESS SO.
NICE TO PROVE I WASN'T UNDER YOUR SPELL, RIGHT?

WHEW...
I'M SO GLAD...

WRIGGLE
WRIGGLE
WHAT ARE YOU GALS UP TO?

PIKEEEN
WRIGGLE
WRIGGLE

EVERY-ONE GET NAKED!!
DIRTY MIND
SISTER KATSU

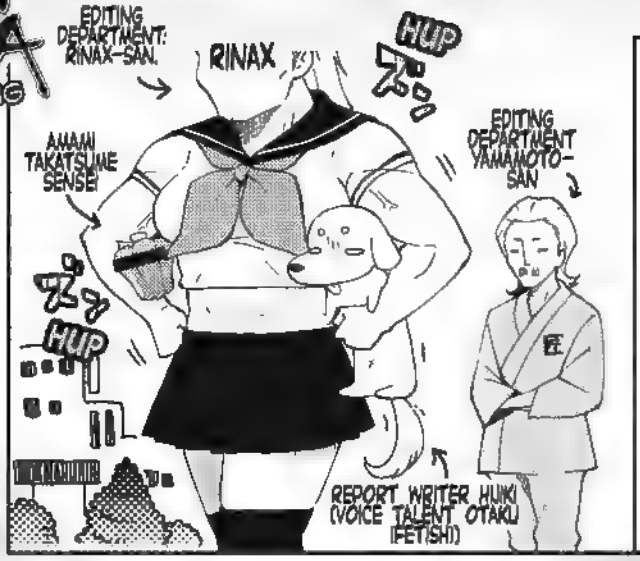
WHAT THE...?
DERRRR...
RUURR...

URR...!

KYAA-AAAA-AAA!!!!
RRRRIP
URRG-AAAA-AAAA-AAAAH!!!!!
HIBARI-CHAN? WHAT DID YOU DO?
UH... I MIGHT HAVE COMPELLED HER TO REMOVE EVERYONE'S CLOTHES...
FINALLY STOPPED...
BEST... DREAM... EVER...
WHAT'S GOING ON, HIBARI?!
KATSURAGI-SAN, WHY ARE YOU NAKED?!
YOUR CLOTHES ARE COMIN OFF!
HIBARI-CHAN! UNDO THE SPELL, NOW!!
UH... ERRR ...!
OFF WITH YOUR CLOTHES!!!!
GYA-AAA-AAA-AAA!!!!!!

TV ANIMATION
SENRAN KAGURA
POST RECORDING REPORT

By Hijiki



I MANAGED TO SNEAK INTO THE POST RECORDING SESSION OF THE TV ANIMATION SERIES *SENRAN KAGURA: NINJA FLASH!* THAT WAS HELD IN A STUDIO IN TOKYO IN SEPTEMBER.

LET'S INTRODUCE THE MAIN CHARACTERS!

HIBARI:
YUKA IGUCHI,
A.K.A. YUKACHI

YAGYU:
KAORI MIZUHASHI,
A.K.A. MIZUHASU

ASUKA:
HITOMI HARADA,
A.K.A. DA-CHAN

KATSURAGI:
YU KOBAYASHI,
A.K.A. GAHAKU

IKARUGA:
ASAMI IMAI,
A.K.A. MINGOSU

RECORDING STARTED WITH PART A.
KA-POW!
SHUT UP, DUMB DOG!
RINAX
WAAAG! MINGO-SU!!
IT'S AN ALL-STAR VOICE TALENT CAST!
Huge fan!
FWOOM!
PHOENIX FIRE BLAZE FLASH!!
THE MYSTERIES OF SHINOBI ...
IT WAS AS IF THE CHARACTERS HAD TAKEN OVER THE TALENTS!
UNBELIEVABLY POWERFUL FROM THE START!
Goooh...

THE ONES THAT WERE BEING GRABBED, HARADA-SAN, LOOKED FRESH! (LOL)
HEE HEE!
HEE HEE!
GRABBY BOOBY
NATURALLY, THERE WERE TONS OF HOT SCENES!
OH, YOU, SISTER KATSU!

THE RECORDING WENT SMOOTHLY ...
BUT SOME RETAKES WERE NEEDED DUE TO THE PICKY MANAGERS.
MMMM...
FOR EXAMPLE...
MMMM..
TCH ...

THIS IS WHERE ASUKA SIGHS AFTER SHE CONCENTRATES ON HER SUTRA.
AND THE VIPs REACTION TO THIS SCENE WAS...
PHEW!
THE SIGH OF A MAIDEN IS ROMANTIC TO MEN!
GO, MAN, GO!
I MEAN, MORE ROMANTIC?
CAN YOU MAKE IT MORE ERO--?
OKAY!
TRY... KATSU-RAGI LIKE A DIRTY OLD MAN!
DIRTY OLD MAN...
OKAY!
MAKE KATSU-RAGI YOUNG AND HIP!
WHAT IMPRESSED ME WAS THAT SO MUCH ATTENTION WAS PAID TO THE SMALLEST OF DETAILS IN THE SCRIPT.

AND FINALLY, A LITTLE SIDE STORY FROM THE RECORDING SESSION...
MUMBLE MUMBLE...
PUP-PET...
WHAT A NAUGHTY LITTLE WORD.
PUPPET... PUP...
NAU-GHTY ...?!

NOT IN THE "ROMANTIC" SENSE.
I MEAN IT'S HARD TO PRONOUNCE.
DA-CHAN...
LEAVE IT TO DA-CHAN!

SUCH IS THE ANIME
SENRAN KAGURA: NINJA FLASH!
STAY TUNED, EVERYONE!!
THE GAME IS FUN, TOO!

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WHEN IN DOUBT...

DIS-CHARGE NOTICE
YOU MUSTN'T SAY ANY MORE.
BUT SINCE WE WERE ALL FIRED FROM HEBIJO, WE'RE A BUNCH OF RONIN! YUCK!
YOU'RE ALL FIRED!!
MMPH?!

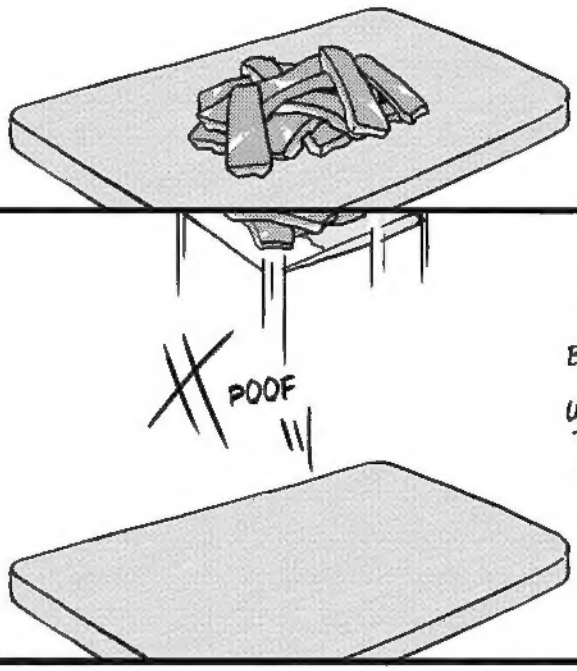
TO BE CONTINUED IN *SENRAN KAGURA SV...?*

THE BIRTH! HOMURA'S CRIMSON TROOPS!!

POST SCRIPT

THANK YOU FOR LOOKING AT THE MANGA VERSION OF *SENRAN KAGURA: SKIRTING SHADOWS*. THIS IS THE FINAL VOLUME!

YO! THIS IS AMAMI TAKATSUME.



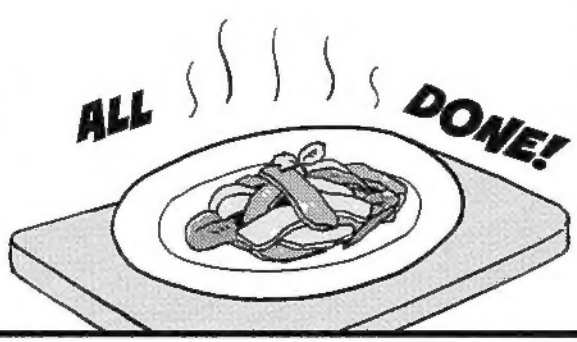
SORRY, ESPECIALLY TO YOMI-CHAN.

SINCE IT'S THE FINAL VOLUME, IT FEATURES THE BATTLE OF HANZO VS. HEBIJO. I WANTED TO WRITE THE BATTLES OF ALL FIVE HEBIJO CHARACTERS, BUT FOUR OF THEM GOT CUT DUE TO LENGTH ISSUES.

IN ANY CASE, I PLAN TO CONQUER *KAGURA 2* FIRST. THEN COMES *DEKAMORI*...

WORK ON THE GAME INCARNATION OF *SENRAN KAGURA* IS PROGRESSING WELL! *KAGURA 2*, AND *DEKAMORI* ARE REALLY GREAT, AND I'M REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO "EV" THAT'S COMING OUT SOON. I'M GOING TO USE YOZAKURA-CHAN TO THE MAX!

AND TO ALL THE FAITHFUL READERS THAT STUCK WITH ME 'TIL THE END, THANK YOU SO MUCH. THE *SENRAN KAGURA: SKIRTING SHADOWS* MANGA SERIES ENDS HERE, BUT I MIGHT BE WRITING SOMETHING ELSE SOMEWHERE SOME TIME, SO IF YOU SEE MY NAME, PLEASE HAVE A LOOK! IT WAS NICE TO MEET YOU ALL! BYE BYE!



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It's time for some titillating ninja action.

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